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Comment of the day

NOT EVEN IN THE RACE

EXACTLY a year ago the Government, in the Defence White Paper of 1960, indicated the end of Blue Streak as Britain's nuclear missile.

Today this rocket, upon which £50 million had been lavished, is still in mothballs, neither a weapon of war nor an instrument of peace. It is suspended, so to speak, between heaven and hell. A year ago the Government thought Blue Streak might make a launcher for a space satellite. It still thinks so, but while it is thinking others are doing. Russia, first round the moon, is now first on the way to Venus. The U.S. has developed communication satellites and sent an ape successfully into space and back.

THE Americans fear they are three years behind the Russians. But no one can say the British are lagging in the race. For Britain has not even started. Nor does she show any sign of doing so.

It is true that the Minister of Aviation, Mr. Thorneycroft, has been drumming round the Commonwealth and Europe like a vacuum-cleaner salesman, trying to sell the idea of a space club—based, of course, upon Blue Streak. But it is still only an idea. Having finished his rounds, Mr. Thorneycroft launched his sales talk to a meeting of 12 European nations at Strasbourg earlier this month, and came home full of enthusiasm.

Since then, however, Western Germany appears to have backed out and Norway is reported to have done the same. If Europe will not play Britain should go ahead in company with the Commonwealth.

AUSTRALIA is a logical partner because of its Woormera range. If other British countries want to be associated, Mr. Thorneycroft says this could "be arranged." So much for the Commonwealth.

While the Government dithers Britain's chances in the Space Age are receding at rocket speed. Experts say that in 18 months Britain will have lost its traditional supremacy in world-wide communications.

Soon the U.S. will be able to organise global radio and television services by means of space satellites. Britain cannot be first in the race now, but it may not be too late to try for a place. At least coming third sounds better than "scratched"—couldn't care less.

ON TRIAL

ARCHBISHOP Makarios puts the Commonwealth on trial. His ex-Eoka Government decides that Cyprus will join it for five years. During this period Britain will be expected to subsidise and defend the Cypriots. They will enjoy all the trading benefits of Imperial Preference. It is a safe bet that at the end of five years Makarios and company will sign on again. It is equally certain that the British Government will welcome them. How splendid it would be if, just for once, the Government were to voice the real feelings of the British people. And tell Makarios they are not prepared to accept him on such terms.

**J.J. Cowperthwaite to succeed A.G. Clarke
NEW FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

Occupied many posts in Colony

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has approved the appointment of Mr J. J. Cowperthwaite, Administrative Officer, Staff Grade A, as Financial Secretary, to succeed Mr A. G. Clarke, who is leaving the Colony on retirement about April 14.

The new



Mr Cowperthwaite

Red threat to Kuching radio

Singapore, Feb. 22. The Straits Times said today that the outlawed Communist Party in Sarawak, North Borneo, had threatened to kill the staff of Sarawak radio if it continued its anti-party broadcasts. It said a letter, received from the party by the radio staff in Kuching, capital of Sarawak, read in part: "I am warning you not to attack us. If you keep on doing so, your lives will be in danger." The letter, signed Sarawak Peoples' Communist Party, said the staff would be safe if the radio stopped saying there were "subversive elements in Sarawak." It also expressed hope the radio staff would "come over to our side."—Reuter.

WATER TO REMAIN ON TAP

The present round-the-clock supply of water which has been available since Chinese New Year's eve, is to be extended for a few more days, the Water Authority announced today. "This extension has been made possible by the improved winter storage which has been brought about by the rains of the last few days, the additional supply of the Shum-chun reservoir and the Indus River, as well as the careful husbanding of water resources during the autumn months," a spokesman said. It was about 10 years since the Colony has been on a 24-hour supply. Due to the improved storage, it has now been decided not only to pass on the benefits to the consumer, but also to find out what the daily consumption is on an unrestricted supply during the winter months. At 8 am on Monday the reservoirs held 4,168 million gallons of water and the consumption that day amounted to 71.3 million gallons.

The old



Mr Clarke

Crack train derailed in America

Buffalo, Feb. 21. The Northern Pacific Railroad's crack passenger train the "Minutestreet" was derailed near here late today, injuring about 40 persons. No fatalities were reported and observers said none of the injured appeared to be critically hurt. The train was bound for the west coast from Chicago. It was going between 60 and 65 miles an hour. The first four cars of the 13-car train successfully passed a switch about one mile west of here, but the last nine cars went off the tracks. "Seven hurtled through thick mud, and three derailed to a stop on their sides." Observers at the scene said it appeared a broken rail caused the accident. Railway officials would make no statement pending an investigation.—AP.

New blow to Gaitskell's defence policy

London, Feb. 21. Mr. Hugh Gaitskell's defence policy of loyalty to Nato based on an American deterrent, was dealt a new blow today by the leaders of one of Britain's biggest unions.

The Executive Council of the union—the Amalgamated

Engineers—turned down a proposal that it should ballot all its members on the defence issue. It was this union which at Labour's annual conference last autumn caused the defeat of the Gaitskell policy by leading the vote for a ban on the bomb resolution which

was carried by a small majority. The union voted "unilateralist" against the advice of its president, Mr. William Carron, and other rightwing Executive Council members. Mr. Carron at the Labour conference refused to move the unilateralist resolution.—Reuter.

RHODESIANS REJECT MACLEOD'S PLAN

Salisbury, Feb. 21.

Sir Roy Welensky, Prime Minister of the Central African Federation, said tonight his Cabinet has rejected the British Government's constitutional proposals for Northern Rhodesia.

Britain stands by plan

London, Feb. 21. The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Iain Macleod, served notice today Britain stands by her plan to lead Northern Rhodesia towards non-racial self-rule.

His statement in the House of Commons was greeted immediately by an opposition Labour Party warning that there are "dangers of a great explosion" in the colonial territory south of the Congo.

Mr. James Callaghan, spokesman on colonial affairs for Labour, added somberly:

"There is serious reason for believing that when some of the racial leaders return to Northern Rhodesia they will be put in jail."

HUSHED HOUSE

The packed Commons was hushed when Mr. Macleod scornfully rejected suggestions that the British Government, in formulating its policy for Northern Rhodesia, had bowed to threats, demands and pressure from Sir Roy Welensky, Federation Premier.

"We have put forward our own point without regard to pressure from any quarter," he said. "This is, we believe, the right plan for Northern Rhodesia and if people will accept the challenge of the plan which is to produce an appeal that cuts across racial boundaries, I believe we can have the right answer."

In an evident reference to widespread reports that Prime Minister Macmillan had vetoed his own liberal approach to the problem, Mr. Macleod said:

"I never have and never would put a plan before the House for any colonial territory which is not my own."

SIDESTEPPE

"This plan is what I think is right for Northern Rhodesia. In working out that plan I have had very great assistance from the Prime Minister."

The Colonial Secretary then brushed aside Labour suggestions that political fire-ups may be imminent in the protectorate.

"The reports I have had daily...on the whole are reassuring."

Mr. Macleod sidestepped a point-blank demand by Mr. Callaghan to say if the proposed new parliament will give the Africans a majority.

"...You should neither enshrine nor deny a European or African majority. It should be open for people to put up candidates to attract the middle vote."—AP.

Sir Roy also recalled the Federal Parliament for a meeting on Friday and said that all several territorial troops were being called up. The announcement came after a heated two-hour Cabinet meeting in Salisbury which Sir Roy called first before British Colonial Secretary Iain Macleod announced the new proposals for Northern Rhodesia in the House of Commons in London.

Despondency

The Premier of Southern Rhodesia, Sir Edgar Whitehead, sat in on the Federal Cabinet meeting, which was held in Sir Roy's private office. The general reaction from local white politicians over the London proposals, which will increase the number of African voters about 10 times to around 70,000 was one of extreme despondency.

The public generally, however, was confused and awaited Sir Roy's statement.

Tuesday night's call up of Federal territorial troops meant that both battalions of white territorial troops were called out in Southern Rhodesia in addition to two battalions in Northern Rhodesia last week.

Northern Rhodesia's police are also mobilised. On Monday night Sir Roy said in a speech in Salisbury that Rhodesian troops would be able to deal with any "insurrection" without calling on British troops.

Entirely agree

Later Sir Edgar Whitehead said he supported Sir Roy's stand on the London proposals. "We entirely agree with the Federal Prime Minister's assessment of the situation that should the White Paper issued today be translated into a new constitution without drastic amendment, the whole Federal structure will be undermined," he said.

Sir Edgar went on: "There is an obvious danger that these hurried proposals, which appear to satisfy nobody except a small minority party in Northern Rhodesia, may lead to disturbances which will damage the whole Federation."

"We are, therefore, giving our full support to the Federal Government in the precautionary measures they are taking to safeguard law and order," the Southern Rhodesian Premier declared.

"Our two governments are working in the closest union," he added.

Government by mates

Washington, Feb. 21. The Republican National Committee came up today with a new description of the Kennedy administration—"Government by college-roommate." Republican national chairman Thruston Morton, said in a "fact memo" to party leaders: "Under Truman we suffered and eventually defeated 'Government by cronies' (close friends). We can do the same with 'Government by college-roommate'." This was a reference to President Kennedy's appointment of many Harvard College friends to government posts.—AP.

Double-headed rocket roars into space

Cape Canaveral, Feb. 22.

A doubleheader space rocket roared aloft on Tuesday night in an effort to ram a pair of U.S. satellites into orbit around the earth.

The principal passenger on the rocket was the navy's 260-pound Transit III-B navigation satellite. Riding as a "hitchhiker" was a 34-pound sphere—nicknamed "Lofti"—to study the passage through the ionosphere of low frequency and lightning-created radio signals.

The two-stage Thor-Ablestar rocket blazed skyward with the two satellites cradled in its nose. Both were aimed at circular orbits about 575 miles above the earth.

Failure

The U.S. Air Force said today it will make no attempt to recover the space capsule of the satellite Discoverer XX, because of an equipment malfunction. It was launched last Friday and original plans called for a recovery try after a record four days in orbit.

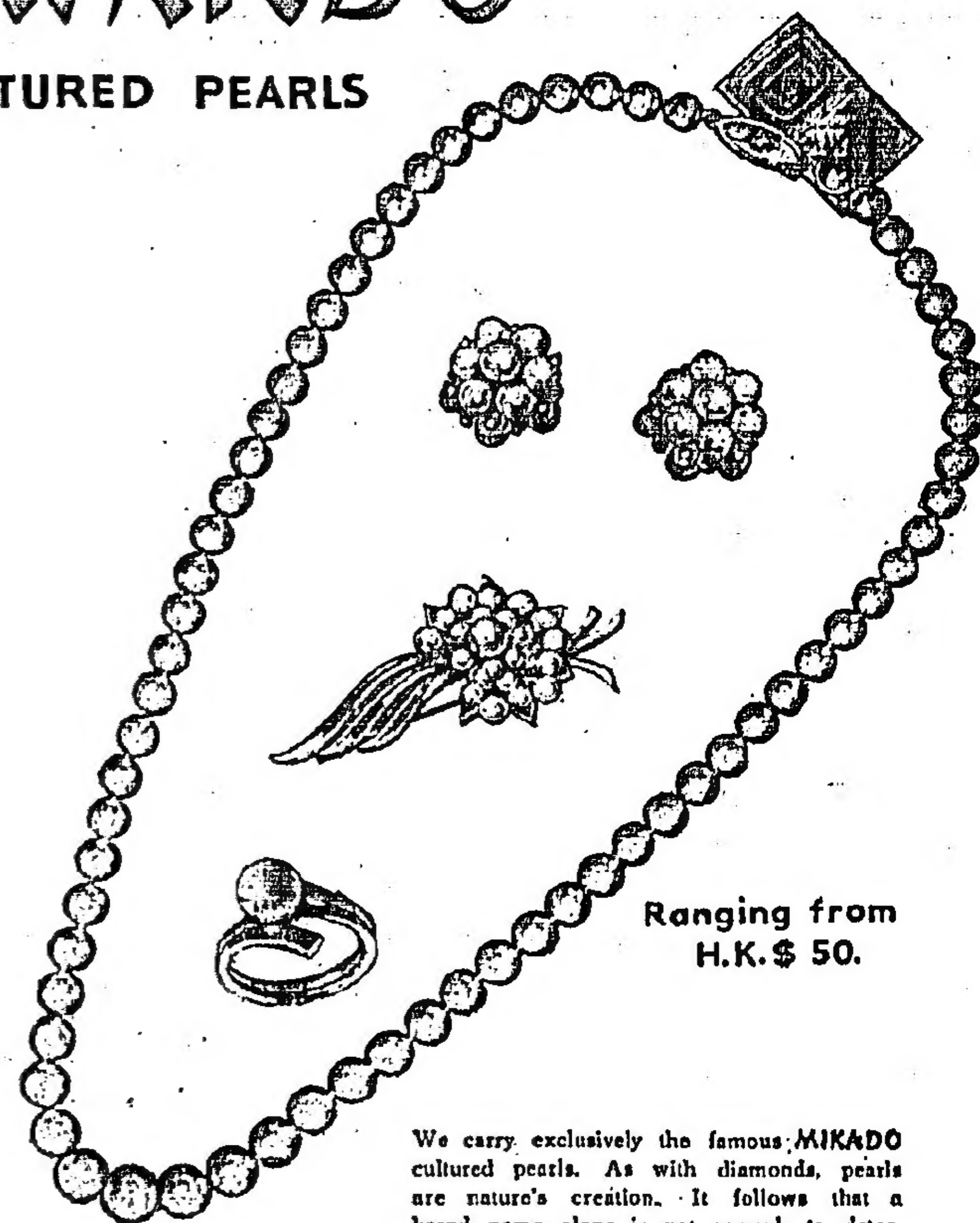
The nature of the malfunction was not disclosed. The longest wait before recovery on a previous shot was three days.

The 2,450-pound satellite was the heaviest and largest of the long-lived series, and its capsule contained instruments being tested for other satellite series—Samos, Midas and Transit. It is expected to remain in orbit for up to six months, the air force said.—AP.

PLANE CRASH

Horse Cave, Ky., Feb. 21. A United States Air Force B-47 jet crashed while refueling in midair near here tonight. There was at least one survivor according to first reports.—Reuter.

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Wall Street stocks close mixed

New York, Feb. 21.

Stocks tried and failed again today to crack their high for the year. Heavy churning produced mixed patterns in most groups with the better gains scored by those issues outside the popular averages.

Money lending and building shares once again led the upward movers while electronics, motors, national defence issues and store chains were mostly higher.

James T. O'Connell and Johnson and Scott Paper climbed 4 or more each, while finance, Haver, Revlon, Interstate Department Stores, Johnson, Mayville, Great Western Finance, Northrop, General Dynamics, US Vitamin and General America Transportation numbered among the better performers.

Preventing the Dow Jones industrial average from cracking the resistance level that has played it for days now were Eastman Kodak, General Electric, Westinghouse and International Nickel—all down.

Today's volume was 8,070,000 shares. Of a total 1,200 shares traded 601 were higher, 480 lower.

American exchange volume was 1,060,000 shares. Bonds volume amounted to \$7,180,000.

Dow-Jones closing averages:
30 Industrials 143.80
20 Rails 143.80
15 Utilities 107.53
65 Stocks 220.49
40 Bonds 86.00
Com. futures price index 143.05

Closing prices

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| Abilene Paper & Paper | 40 1/2 |
| Alcoa Inc. Apy | 50 1/2 |
| Aluminum Steel Corp. | 30 1/2 |
| Allied Mills Inc. | 40 1/2 |
| Am. Brake Shoe | 42 1/2 |
| American Airlines | 22 1/2 |
| Am. Cable & Radio Corp. | 21 1/2 |
| American Cyanamid Co. | 45 |
| Am. Can. & Paper | 100 1/2 |
| Am. Mach. & Foundry | 100 |
| Am. Nat. Gas | 32 1/2 |
| Am. Sugar Ref. | 32 1/2 |
| Amstar | 22 1/2 |
| Armco Steel | 27 1/2 |
| Armstrong Corp. | 27 1/2 |
| Atlas Corp. Mining | 5 1/2 |
| Baldwin-Lima-Ham. | 50 1/2 |
| Bank of Montreal | 69 1/2 |
| Bank of Nova Scotia | 60 1/2 |
| B. C. Tel. Co. | 40 |
| B. C. Tel. & Pwr. | 40 |
| Bell Telephone | 49 |
| Bendix Aviation Corp. | 60 1/2 |
| Bendix Corp. | 60 1/2 |
| Boeing Airplane | 40 1/2 |
| Borden (V.I.) Co. | 60 1/2 |
| Burroughs Add. Machine | 30 1/2 |
| British Amer. Oil | 37 1/2 |
| British Columbia Elec. | 50 1/2 |
| British Columbia Pwr. | 50 1/2 |
| Calif. Packing Corp. | 42 1/2 |
| Canada Bk. of Comm. | 62 1/2 |
| Can. Breweries | 23 |
| Case J. L. Co. | 30 1/2 |
| Cat. Tractor | 30 1/2 |
| Celanese Corp. | 31 1/2 |

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| Smith, Kline & French | 60 1/2 |
| Southern Natural Gas | 30 1/2 |
| Southern Pacific Co. | 22 1/2 |
| Southern Railway (Com.) | 60 1/2 |
| Sleep Hock | 8 1/2 |
| Steering Drug Co. | 77 1/2 |
| Stokely-Carm | 30 1/2 |
| Stone & Webster | 60 1/2 |
| Sun-Side Mining | 60 1/2 |
| Texton Inc. | 20 1/2 |
| Thiokol Chem. | 40 1/2 |

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| Time Water Oil | 30 1/2 |
| Tri-Cont. Warrants | 20 1/2 |
| Twentieth Century Fox Film | 40 1/2 |
| United Fruit | 22 1/2 |
| U.S. Life Co. | 22 1/2 |
| U.S. Steel & P.C. PF | 140 1/2 |
| Waikana Motors | 20 1/2 |
| Westinghouse Air Brake | 20 1/2 |
| West Va. Pulp & Paper | 20 1/2 |
| Winn-Dixie Stores | 20 1/2 |
| Zenith Radio | 100 1/2 |

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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Business done at the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$5,000,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

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Japan again tops the world in shipbuilding

London, Feb. 21.

Japan held its proud place in 1960 as the world's greatest shipbuilding nation—the fifth year running it has captured the title.

Britain, once the busiest shipbuilder, trailed still in second place with West Germany not far behind in third place.

A report of the year in the building shipyard of the world, issued by Lloyd's Register of Shipping, showed Japan launched 649 ships in 1960 totalling 1,731,650 gross tons.

That was an increase of 9,070 tons in 1959.

Japan was one of the relatively few nations to increase its shipbuilding tonnage in 1960 and it also built the biggest ship of the year—the 72,200-ton oil tanker (Yokohama Maru) Japan's total output was 20.7 per cent of the world figure.

Britain launched 263 merchant ships of 1,631,491 tons, 15.9 per cent of world output.

Down West Germany shipways went 234 ships totalling 1,092,139 tons.

The total world output was 2,020 ships aggregating 8,350,444 tons, 389,200 less than 1959.

West Germany's share was down 109,000 tons on its 1959 shipbuilding output.

Britain's dropped two—by 41,104 tons.

Oil tankers played a vital role in keeping shipyards busy. They represented 44 per cent of the total output.

Japan built 135 of them—more than any other country. Britain built 46, Germany 35 and Sweden 20.

The trend was for shipyards to be less busy last year. Only Japan, France, Poland, Spain and Canada built more ships than they did in 1959.

Lloyd's said figures for the Soviet Union and Communist China were not available.

France launched 504,422 tons of merchant shipping—more than ever before. That included the 60,000-ton liner France, second-biggest ship built in 1960.—AP.

Swissair's freight traffic

In its first year of jet operations, Swissair showed a heavy increase in freight traffic and almost halved its transportation times, according to statistics just released.

Compared to the previous year, the airline's total capacity in ton kilometres (passenger, freight and mail) rose by 23 per cent, while freight tonnage utilised rose by 19 per cent.

In the 12 months ending December, 1960, Swissair offered a total capacity of 243,000,000 ton, compared with 190,784,000 during the same period the previous year.

Freight traffic utilised totalled 28,100,000 ton against 23,712,000 ton in 1959.

Larger quantities of freight were carried in all traffic areas than in the year 1959.

European traffic shows an increase of 8%.

A particularly favourable result was achieved in the Near East with a rise of 20% compared to the previous year.

In the Far East and on the South Atlantic the goods carried rose by 21% respectively 22% which can also be called most satisfactory.

On the Switzerland—New York v.v. route the air freight traffic at Swissair went up by 14%.

In this important traffic area the daily DC-8 flights have increased the freight loading facilities to such an extent, simultaneously utilising transportation times that there is no longer any need for the flights of the DC-6A "Cargoliner" which is too slow under present day conditions.

In the summer of 1961 Swissair will be offering in this traffic area up to 10 DC-8 jet flights a week. This corresponds to a substantially larger loading capacity than the present one, passenger and cargo flights put together.

By the opening of the new mail and cargo handling building at Kloten Airport the company has been adapted to the requirements of the rapidly expanding jet air traffic.

Bid to reopen airlines case

Washington, Feb. 21.

Sen. Wayne Morse said today he had asked President Kennedy to direct the Civil Aeronautics Board to reopen the trans-Pacific airlines case.

Airline routes recommended by the CAB were disapproved by former President Eisenhower two days before he left office on grounds that they might impair U.S. foreign relations.

Morse, in a letter to Kennedy, asked that applications for the new overseas routes be reconsidered and that interested parties be allowed to submit new evidence.

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British newsletter from Peter Burgoyne

THE GLORIES THAT WERE THE GRUB OF OLDE ENGLAND!

London (By Airmail).
Pardon our drooling. We have just been reflect-
ing on the glories that are the Grub of Olde
England. Or were.

Discount those scurrilous
stories of English boarding-
house passages permanently
heavy with the smell of boiled
cabbage. Reject the vapourings
of the Francophiles for their
Chateaubriand and poulet-au-
chambray not to mention
sole à la benne femme.

There is splendid fare, rich
and subtle and mouth-water-
ing, to be discovered between
the coddle-stalls of Brighton
and the porridge platters of
John o'Groats.

Or was. Which is the point
now burning at issue.

For some, there is but one
fish-and-chips. Eaten, of course,
from a newspaper, with the
fingers, and well-soused in salt
and vinegar, for preference, in
the cobbled back-street of some
Lancashire mill town, around
10.30 on some foggy Saturday
evening in November.

That sea-fresh haddock, eased
in crisp, crinkly, golden batter.
Those sizzling fingers of fried
potato.

For others, the gizzards that
rates the Britannic cordon bleu
is a hunk of crusty home-baked
bread, farm-butter-lathered,
eaten in the low-beamed bar of
some country inn with a wedge
of crumbly Cheshire cheese and
two big pickled onions. And
washed down with a pint of
bitter.

Or roast sirloin of beef, with
garden-fresh peas and feather-
stuffed Yorkshire pudding.
Or Canterbury lamb with
mint sauce. Or rich, unfathom-
able, built up ingredient from a
house foundation of bone-stock.
Pork sausages. York ham.
Lancashire hot-pot. Cornish
pasties. Pies and onions.
Brandy snap. Gingerbread.
The noble Siltton and Wensleydale,
Caerphilly and Cheddar.

You may find them all some-
where still, with moderate pre-
servance and the right kind
of nose.

But there is something sinister
about it.

There are slick glass-and-
chromium palaces appearing in
our cities where all is hazy
with cream and nation and
chanceburgers and even
brunchburgers. You are almost
as likely to find sweet-sour and
bamboo shoots as fish-and-chips
in those homely cobbled corners
and sometimes curry and
viandoli too.

And it is worse than that.

In the Domesday Book
village of East Meon, Hamp-
shire, last week, a proposal to
open a fish-and-chips shop
among the thatched cottage
roofs provoked open and
bitter war.

One English lady who ob-
jected at the local inquiry into
this distressing affair actually
told the Government inspector
that she preferred "the fresh
country scents of our gardens"
to the smell of fish-and-chips.

And it was left to the Aus-
tralian-born gentleman who hopes
to open the shop to remind East
Meon that it should be proud
to eat so traditionally British
a dish.

There is also news of American
plans to lure home-making
Britons to their country on a
£100 package-deal fortnight
—giving them "the sort of food
and drinks they are used to."

It's going to be a heck of a
long way to go to rediscover the
delights of fish-and-chips.
But it's going to be worth it.

★ ★ ★
Add yet another to that
lamentably lengthening
list of waning English
glories: the cheerfully
blazing coal fire.

But at least the fire that is
banked with the new smoke-
less, ashless fuel announced last
week will look just like one. It
has been developed, it is an-
nounced, "to give the consumer
the traditional kind of fire the
British like."

A bright red flame of the
kind produced by the old type
of coal, in fact, "Much more
than just a dull red glow."

Moreover, the National Coal
Board, murmurs reassuringly,
we are to be able to buy it from
April on the Never-never, for
fixed weekly or monthly sums,
to encourage regular buying
and avert winter shortages.

Throw on another lump of
coal-type fuel, dear, and let's
have a cozy British-type even-
ing working out how much we
still owe.

★ ★ ★
Oxford does not take kindly
to people with
schemes. Last year, a
proposal to drive a road
through her dreaming heart
aroused a her
scholastic Establishment
to hitherto unsuspected
fury.

The other day, when under-
graduates proposed to comment
critically on their own news-
papers, the professors retaliated
swiftly and effectively with a
heavy censoring hand.

So when an organization
described as "a powerful and
savage" attempted infiltration
Oxford's spirited reaction was
not completely unexpected.

The name of the flying squad
is Opus Dei, and it is a Roman
Catholic organization. By the
definition of one Roman Catho-
lic teacher in Oxford, it is "an
organization of devoted, zealous
Christians which tries to in-
filtrate its members into re-
sponsible positions in Govern-
ment and the professions."

Opus Dei's plan was to build
a hostel in Oxford for 200 un-
dergraduates. Grandpoint House,
a Georgian mansion on the
bank of the Isis, was bought
for the purpose, and a modern
building was to replace it.

But that was as far as it
got. The opposition was as
vociferous from Roman Catho-
lics as from other quarters. For
a long time now there has been
harmony in Oxford between
Catholics and non-Catholics, on
the amiable understanding that
nobody is out to convert any-
body else.

Nobody, it seems, wants
shock troops barging in to
upset all that.

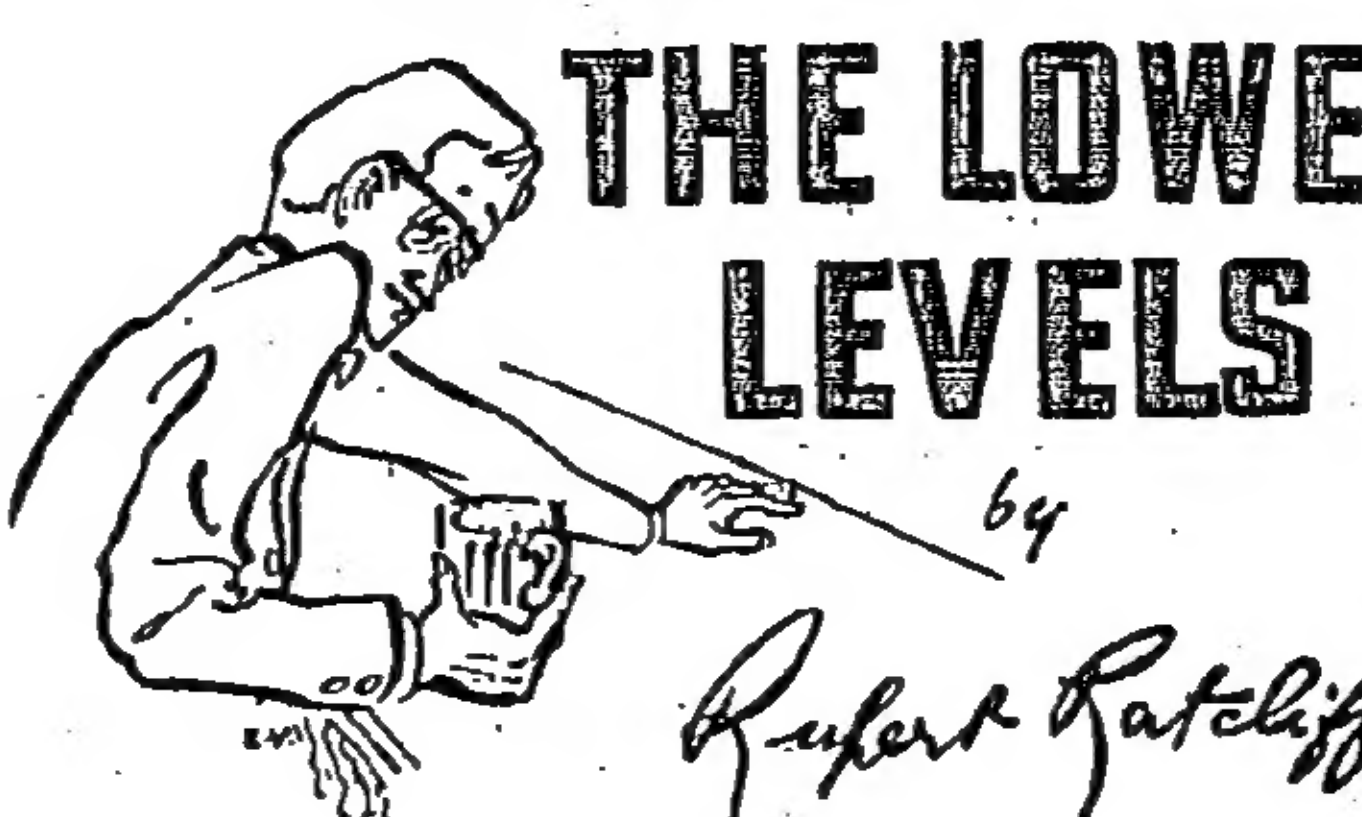
The University's Delegacy of
Lodgings rejected the proposal.
Let nobody be fooled by
those dreaming spies.

★ ★ ★
What set the curtains
alight in M-P. Scott's
home in Crawley New
Town? The rays of the
sun, passing through a
goldfish bowl.

Michele models



Braving the winter winds to show how warm
Bri-Nylon can be are Michele Mak from Hongkong
(left) and Penelope De Runa (born in Uganda),
both wearing nightdress-negligee sets in lilac and
primrose Bri-Nylon. The girls were modelling at the
British Nylon Fair which opened at the Royal Albert
Hall, London, England, recently. More than 150
British firms took part in the Fair, the only one of
its kind in the world.



THE LOWER LEVELS

Rally, fellow toppers!

At last I have a good word to say for the scientists—even
though all they've done has been to confirm my own
suspicions. What about? Those dreadful hang-
overs, of course.

Three Finnish researchers from
the State Alcohol Monopoly—
which we'll call "SAM"—from
now on will have allowed that
a "hair of the dog" next morn-
ing helps considerably. But
they warn that one shot is
enough.

With the co-operation of the
local cops in Helsinki, they took
blood tests from 52 men and
women ranging in age from 17 to
67, just when they were waking
up in the pokies with horrible
hangovers from the previous
night's carousals.

These blood samples were
compared with those taken from
100 per cent sober types (the
dormed bodes), and of course
many differences were noted in
the chemical make-up.

SUGAR CONTENT
Apparently, after a few swift
noddies, the blood sugar content
rises and a general blood sugar
level quite rapidly. This has an
"equalisation" effect and reduces
the agony quite a bit. The most
important stage has then been
reached. Don't keep noddies
away at too many "hairys," other-
wise you'll start the whole cycle
over again (don't I know it!).

The Finns should know what
they're talking about as they go
for the wallop in mastery
fashion. To my sorrow, I tried
to keep pace with a mob of
them in Helsinki once. It was
scram winter's night (about 50
below zero).

When I left the comfort of
the bar to track my way
back home in the great
"white wonderland," I hit the
icy deck about every second
staggering step.

The tough Finns sweat it out
in a sauna steam bath—some-
thing I tried just once and was
screaming for mercy in ten
seconds. It's rough on the
chassis, believe me.

Now that you have the
blessings of these three blokes
from SAM, you may have a snort
tomorrow morning—but re-
member, only one. Happy hang-
over to you.

Weather: 11.15, Late Night Symphony
Concert including Serenade in E
Flat Major Opus 8 by Joseph Suk.
Czech Philharmonic Orchestra. Con-
ducted by Václav Talich; 12 mid-
night, News Headlines, Weather,
Close.

REDIFFUSION
1 p.m. Diary for today; 1.15, News
And Weather; 1.30, Beyond Our Ken
(Repeat); 2, Melody Time; 4,
At The Concert; 4.15, The Dan-
dies; 4.30, The Danes; 4.45, Once
Upon A Keyboard—With Joe Mac-
Millan; 5, Film Time; 5.15, Music In
The Air; 5.30, Diamond Jubilee Show;
5.45, Your Verdict; 6, 20
Birthdays and Anniversaries; 6.30,
Dennis Day Show; 6.45, News; 7, 10
With Mike; 7.15, 11, Slipstream;
11.00, Date In Dreamland; 11.30, Mid-
night, News Headlines, Weather,
Close.

COMMERCIAL RADIO
1040, 1330 kcs
1.15 p.m. News; 1.30,
Lunchtime Rendezvous (cont'd); 2,
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ABACUS BEATS
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Singapore, Feb. 21.

The humble abacus has beaten modern mechanised and electric adding machines in speed calculation tests here.

Descendant of the bead frames and counting boards developed by the ancient Egyptian and Chinese cultures it held its own against the latest in computers from Europe.

The \$2 wood and bamboo counting device was pitted against expensive machines in a contest arranged by the business magazine, "Singapore Trade".

In addition, the abacus was faster than the hand-operated machine. But it lost to the electric device. In multiplication it was speedier than the hand-operated machine and equal to the electric. In division it beat the electric computer twice out of three times.

In Hongkong

The abacus was operated by Bel Po-lu, a fast operator who modestly does not even claim to be Singapore's best.

Bel learned the art of the abacus at school in Shanghai. He used it in American International Assurance Co. offices in Shanghai and Hongkong. In Singapore he still prefers it to the machine.

Here are examples of times turned in by the ancient and modern counting devices:

In addition of 20 figures of three to five digits the abacus finished in 41.3 secs, the hand-operated machine in 49.6 secs, the electric machine in 28 secs.

In multiplication of four-digit figures by four-digit figures, the abacus finished in 14 secs, the hand machine in 43 secs, and the electric computer in 10.2 secs.

800 years old

In a second problem the abacus turned in a time of 13.1 secs compared to 10.2 for the electric machine, whose operator had to compensate for one error. In a third trial the abacus won by 11.1 seconds to 11.2 for the electric computer.

The abacus divided 319,788 by 849 in 11.8 seconds while the electric device did it in 11.2 secs. It divided 2,644,035 by 1,077 in 10.3 seconds compared to 15 seconds for the electric computer, and 759,213 by 309 in 10.1 seconds compared to the electric machine's 11.2 seconds.

Developed in China about 800 years ago, the abacus is known as the Shian-pan or calculating board.

The Chinese abacus has five beads for units with two in an upper section for fives. It varies from the Japanese variety (the Soroban) which has four units and only one row of "five" beads.

"It is easy to learn how to use an abacus," says Bel. "But it takes years to work up speed."

Complicated calculations involving large numbers call for considerable mental effort, however, he concedes.

Decline

This is probably the main factor in the decline in use of the device among the modern generation of Chinese. Few Chinese schools in the Far East teach the abacus as part of the mathematics course.

Old Chinese look with pity at the trend towards modernism in accounting among Chinese. But some feel the abacus with its simplicity and versatility will always have its supporters.

C. C. Chung, who has written the only book in English on operation of the abacus, calls the device cheap, fast and not subject to breakdown.

Honourable

He published his "Chinese Abacus Calculator" in Manila in 1950 and now plans a mathematics course in English which will include instructions on operation of the Abacus.

"The Chinese abacus has an honourable history going back many hundreds of years," he says. "It would be a great shame if it were to die out, especially as it is so easy to learn to use."—AP.

Application

Nicola, Feb. 21.
Britain's Diplomatic Representative in Cyprus, Mr W. A. W. Clark, left by air for London today with the Cyprus republic's application for membership of the Commonwealth.—China Mail Special.

Letters from you to the editor

Newspaper history

dear sir

I feel I should correct some of the statements of my friend Mr. John Luff. In his reference to the China Mail and its contemporaries — especially the South China Morning Post.

Mr. Luff states: "At the beginning of this century, the South China Morning Post came into being. A large subscription of capital, up-to-date equipment, and certain privileges placed it to the fore. The China Mail staggered along but kept its paper going. All its contemporary rivals had fallen by the way."

Permit me to reply:
1. The subscription of capital to the South China Morning Post Ltd. was not large. In 1910, it was \$150,000 in 6,000 shares of \$25 each.
2. Its equipment was only relatively up to date. It had a Wharfedale type press that printed four pages at a time

and could manage these at about 500 per hour. It had four single-magazine linotypes, of which, however, only two were in use, the other two kept "in reserve".

3. The Post had no privileges. Its rival, the long-established Hongkong Daily Press, was favoured by both the Government and the "upper crust". The Press was called "the Peak paper", read by "the people who had the purchasing power", and it was regarded by its readers as having semi-official status. It was better staffed, and for some years was the better paper. The circulation of the Post in 1910 was about 10,000. The Press a little more than that.

From its launching in 1903, the Post had a hard struggle; and in justice to George Lloyd, Tom Felde, Ben Wylie and the rest who worked so faithfully to establish it, the perspective should be preserved. If the Post had one unfair advantage, perhaps this was that it employed so many Scots, which assured it of the support of the dock and shipping staffs. The Daily Press, on the other hand, was so very English.

Mr. Luff is unjust also in his statement that all the contemporary rivals of the China Mail had fallen by the way. The Hongkong Telegraph, not quite as old as the Mail, offered it quite lively competition and suspended publication only because its proprietors, the SCM Post Ltd., bought the China Mail, after the second World War.

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London, Feb. 21.

Sir Laurence Olivier and actress Joan Plowright probably will marry in the United States this summer.



JOAN PLOWRIGHT

Miss Plowright's father, newspaper editor William Plowright, said today this would be his best guess.

He heard from his daughter "a week or two ago."

"They'll certainly want a quiet wedding," he said. "I'm sure they do not want any fuss and they'll not be disclosing the date or the place."

"There were several radio reports in the United States that they were already married," he said. "That simply could not be."

Plowright explained that Sir Laurence's decree of divorce from actress Vivien Leigh does not become final until March 4.

Sir Laurence is appearing in "Becket" and Miss Plowright in "A Taste of Honey" on the Broadway stage.

"Her play is running the full season," her father said.

"That means until the end of June. It's common knowledge they wish to be married and it would be after that."

Miss Plowright, 29, was named in the divorce case brought by Miss Leigh after 20 years of marriage to the 43-year-old King of the London Theatre.—AP.

FOUR IN GANG
TO BE CANED
FOR ROBBERY.

Five boys ganged up against another boy in an alley in Queen's-road West on Feb. 5 and robbed the boy of \$2, Mr D. Benson was told at the Juvenile Court in Causeway Bay this morning.

The five boys whose ages ranged from 11 to 14 pleaded guilty to a charge of robbery by two or more.

The first four boys were sentenced to six months in the juvenile remand home and also received four strokes of the cane. The last boy was remanded to March 1 for a probation officer's report.

THREE HURT
AS CAR HITS
LAMP POLE

A man and two women were injured when the car in which they were travelling collided with a lamp pole at Wylie-road near the Li Ping Memorial School, at about 9.30 a.m. yesterday (Tuesday). The injured man, Kok Mun-chao, and the two women, Kok Kwan Shu-han and Lam Wai-long, were admitted to Kowloon Hospital.

Left in a bus

The Police are seeking the owner of \$800 in cash, two gold finger-rings and some documents which were found unclaimed in a bus in Kowloon on October 23 last year.

Any person who has lost these articles and cash should communicate with the Divisional Superintendent, Yau-mat Police Station.

Drug packets
man jailed

Chu Ching-chuen, a 44-year-old coolie, living at 116, Percival-street, first floor, was sentenced to three years' jail by Mr T. L. Yang at Causeway Bay Court this morning for possession of more than 130 packets of dangerous drugs.

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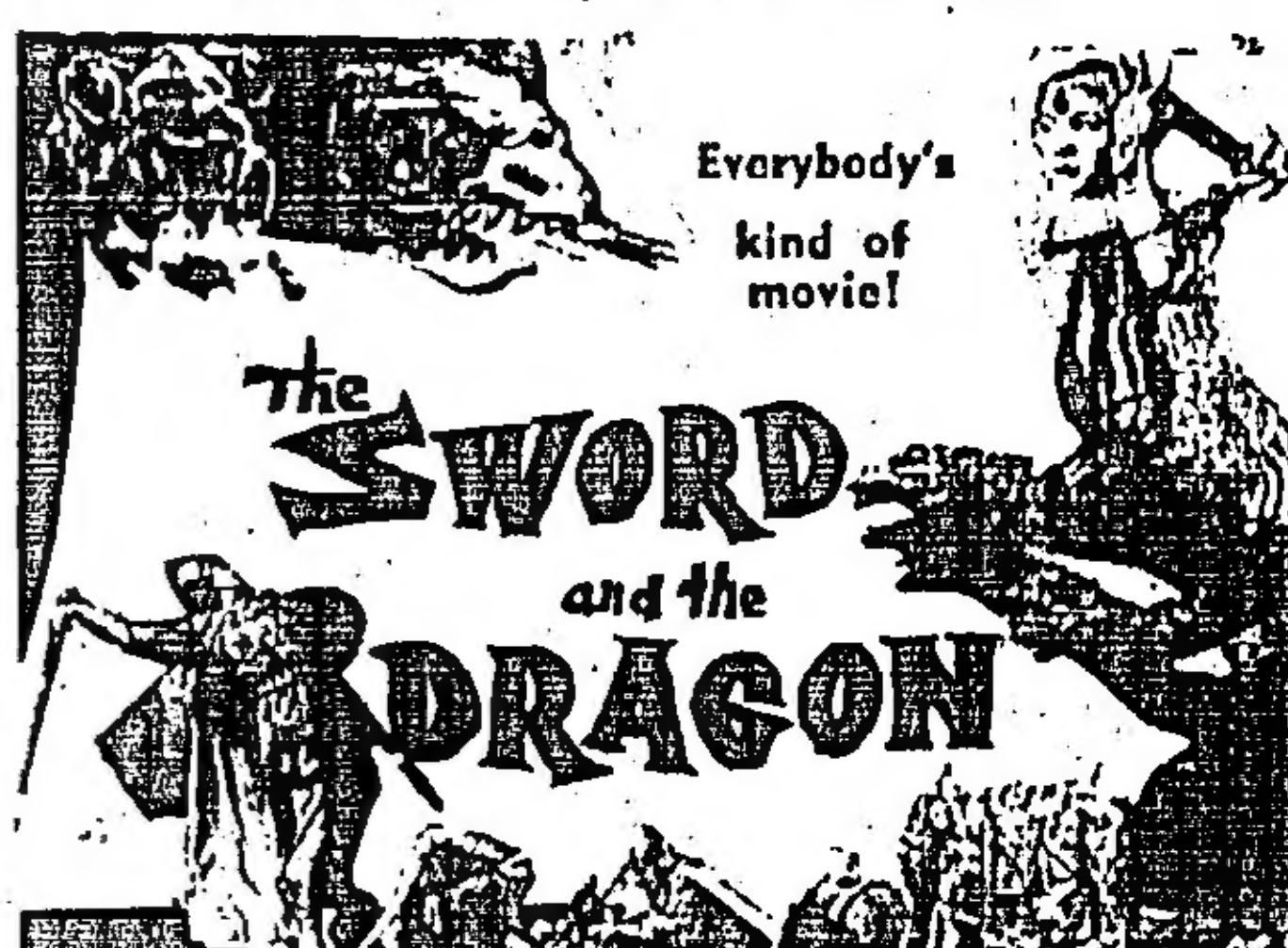
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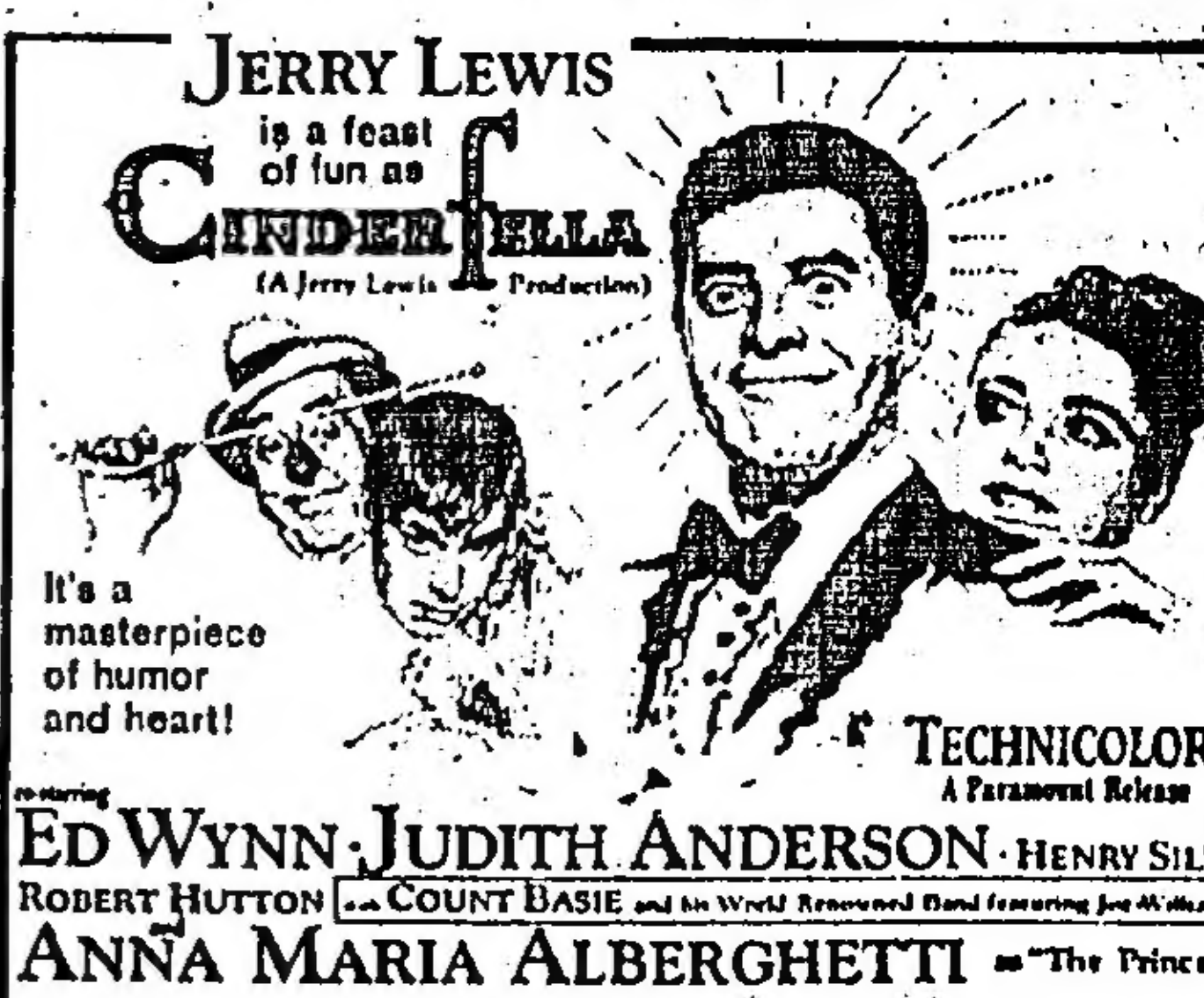
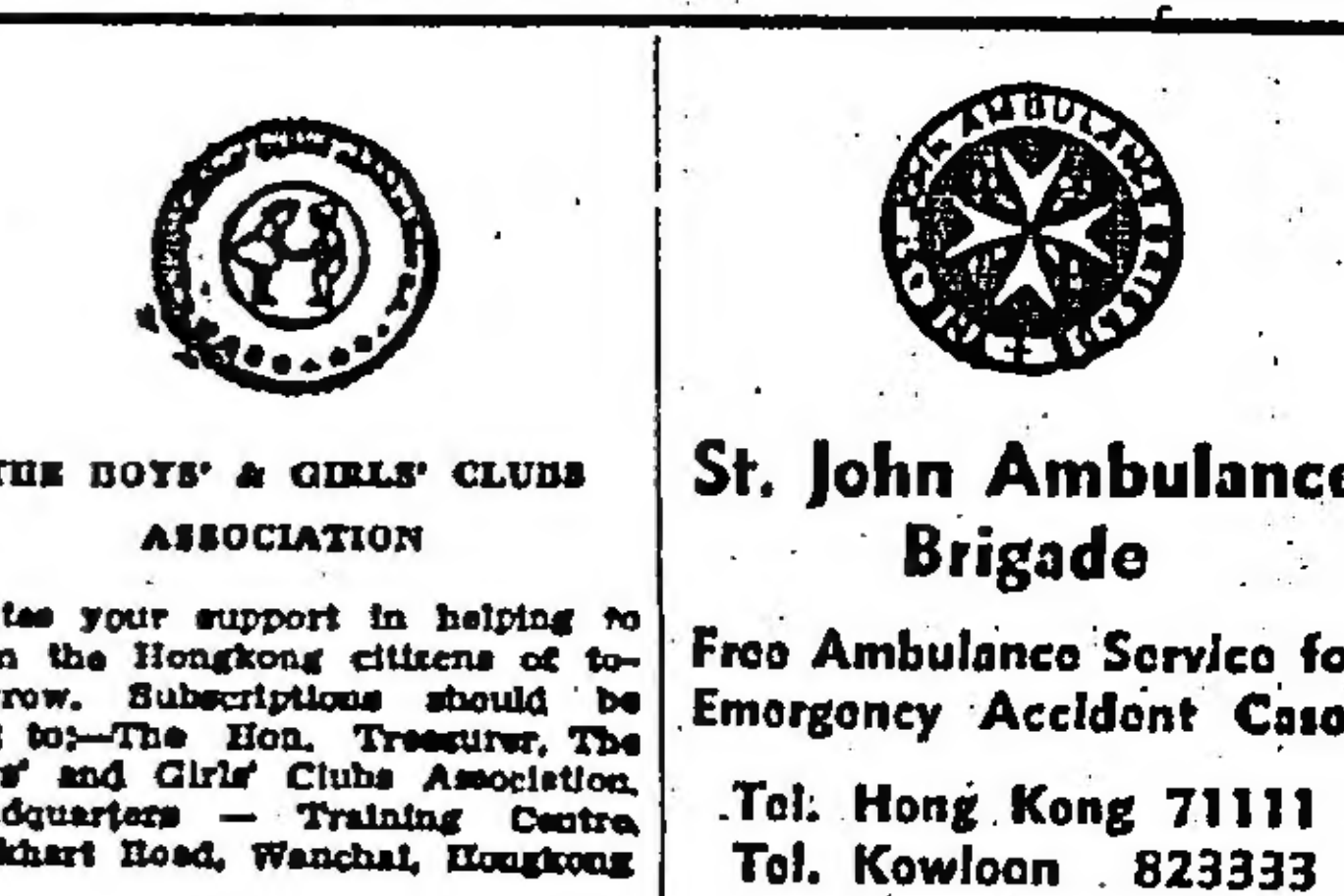
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YES, I'M REALLY SOLD ON THE IDEA

Kennedy will keep America on its toes

I WENT to the United States five months ago to report the presidential election and, let's face it, I was inclined to be a Republican supporter.

I felt Nixon might be the best choice as President. Now I know I was wrong. New York this Mr. John Kennedy, this political panther, is the man we all want in the White House.

The man has swept into Washington with vigour, with hope, and with determination. Completely sure of himself, certain about his aims, casually ruthless, as must be every leader of men, 43-year-old Kennedy is busy remoulding America in the image that he feels it should assume.

Sureness

HIS youthfulness and off-handedness go delightfully hand-in-hand with an extraordinary sureness. The man is intelligent and knows what he wants. He is articulate, friendly, knowledgeable. No bumbling around. Suddenly, splendidly, America has been captured by a man inspired.

Let me admit at once that last year I had my doubts. As I covered Kennedy's electoral campaign, all through the

by
RENE MacCOLL

rough, tough hurly-burly of the spring, summer, and autumn of 1960, I harboured reservations.

A break

NOW, all that has vanished. In the past three weeks, during which I have been reporting the surging start of the Kennedy era, I have become convinced that Kennedy's hair-line-thin victory at the polls was a tremendous break for us all.

You would find it hard to believe what a transformation has taken place in Washington. Where before there was doubt, dreariness, and defeatism, now a great wave of excitement and energy has transformed the United States.

By sheer competence, by knowing what he wants, this young man from Boston has thundered down upon America and insisted that a lately rather benighted and wandering country should start knowing just where it means to go.

People have been comparing Kennedy with Franklin Roosevelt. I think that this is a loose and slipshod comparison. Kennedy is not to be compared, so far as I am aware, with anyone. He is a remarkable fellow in his own right.

So far he has not put a foot wrong. His ringing and convincing words—during his Inaugural Address, his messages to Congress, his deft and swift-tempered Press conference—have been a joy to listen to.

Above all, we have had the splendid feeling that a young man, willing to experiment, willing to throw a rule or so overboard, is in charge.

Sagacious

THE "experts" said that he would be rash and brash. On the contrary, he has taken his time over his appointments to the Cabinet and other top-line posts. And the men whom he has called in to help him have been sagaciously chosen. The opening weeks of his Administration have been

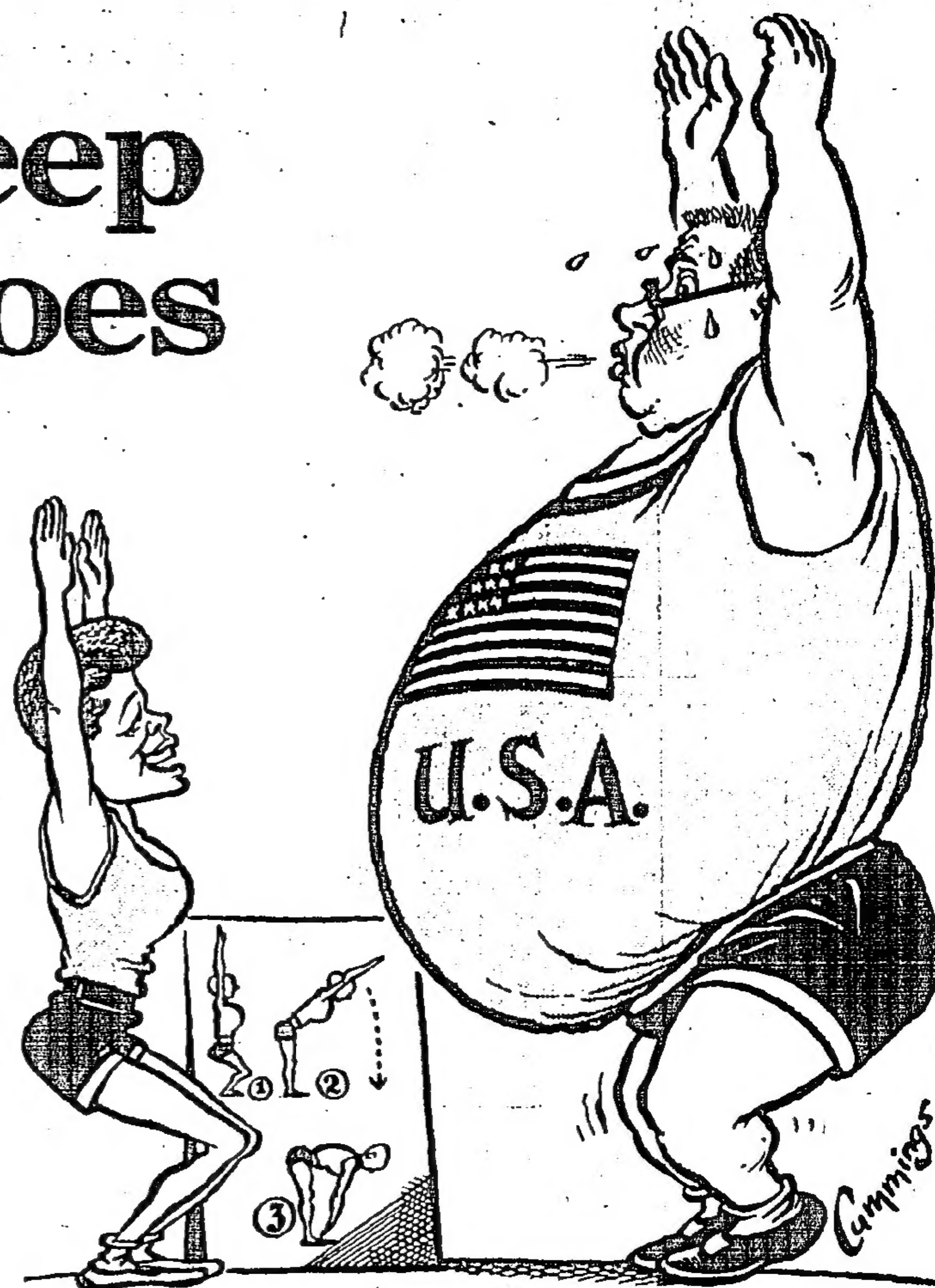
marked by a cool and measured appraisal of the scene. The great thing to bear in mind about Kennedy is that you can take nothing for granted. Pomp, protocol, and ponderousness have been flung out of the window. This aggressive chap makes up his own regulations as he goes along.

Worth while

THIS means that when Prime Minister Harold Macmillan goes to see President Kennedy at the beginning of April, far from being fobbed off afterwards with one of those unutterably dreary little communiqués in which the "cordial atmosphere" is the main news item, you may find that you are reading some really worthwhile statement.

Kennedy, despite some completely ill-based rumours, has the highest regard for the P.M. and wants above all to retain the Anglo-American understanding and alliance on the firmest possible footing.

And when Kennedy and Khrushchev finally meet—wow! Because if anyone has the notion that the new U.S. President is anyone's "fall guy," perish the thought. In Jolly John, Nifty Nikita may well find a most interesting conference mate.



London Express Service.

Creating racial harmony in Malaya

by Gordon Hung

WHAT are the long term policies of both Malayan governments to prevent racial strife? In Singapore the government is trying to evolve a Malayan culture out of the three predominant eastern cultures, Chinese, Malay, and Indian.

The government is also encouraging the use of the Malay language in school with the eventual aim of making it the official language of the island.

Malaya in Singapore are the most backward race and the government has given them various privileges to enable them to compete on equal footing with their Chinese counterparts. The PAP is also trying to instill a Malayan consciousness and loyalty in the people.

The eventual aim of all this is racial harmony on the island and politically to make the island as Malayan as the Federation.

This is because Singapore's future is ultimately tied up with the Federation's and a merger between the two territories is a foregone conclusion. The only question is "when?"

Here again the racial question crops up. If Singapore becomes part of the Federation, the present racial balance will be upset with Chinese having a slight edge over the Malays.

Drawback

This is as much a drawback to a merger between the two territories at the moment as the political colour of the present Singapore Government.

To break the economic hold the Chinese have in the Federation, the multi-racial Alliance Government is giving the Malays special privileges in all sectors of business and industry, so that eventually the Chinese will be able to compete with their Chinese and Indian counterparts on equal footing.

Malay is now compulsory in all schools whose syllabus has been given a Malayan slant to replace the previous Chinese, Western or Indian-angled teaching in all schools. Malay will also be replaced these languages as the means of instruction in all schools eventually. This is to be followed by having all examinations set in Malay.

Thus all schools will have a common syllabus, a common language of instruction and a common language for examinations.

Certain sectors of the Chinese population have objected to these proposals as they see in them the eventual decline of Chinese influence amongst the new generation. Apart from the multi-racial Alliance party in the Federation there is only one other multi-racial political party—the Socialist Front. The Pan-Malayan Islamic Party is communal, campaigning for "Malaya for Malays only" and governing according to the Koran, while the People's Progressive Party draws its political following from the Chinese by championing their rights.

Junior partners

The Alliance Government led by Tengku Abdul Rahman comprises the United Malays National Organisation with the Malayan Chinese Association and the Malayan Indian Congress as the junior partners.

The Alliance aims for inter-racial harmony, and solutions to all problems are by compromise and give-and-take between the races. But in the eyes of certain sectors of the Malayan Chinese and Indian—notable those who are non-English speaking—the Alliance has not satisfied their aspirations and is regarded as a facade for the perpetuation of Malay privileges.

On the other hand Malays are anxious about Chinese and Indian aspirations because of the prospect that in the not too distant future they will be ousted from their present superior position on the electoral rolls and thus be subordinate to the Chinese both politically and economically.

The future of this multi-racial experiment depends on two factors. Firstly that a Malayan consciousness be instilled in the younger generation so that they consider themselves as Malaysians and not Chinese, Indians or Malays. Secondly the Government must, in the meantime, be alert enough to stop any racial disturbance before it breaks out, because once it does the repressed frustrations of all races will break out into the open and in one blow the experiment might fail.

HONGKONG MOVIELAND

BY DAVID LAN

Another Hongkong girl finds her way to Hollywood

via a cocktail party in the Colony

HONGKONG girls seemed quite successful in crashing into Hollywood—and into the films made by the world movie capital.

First there was Judy Dan who appeared in "The King and I" then Li Li-hua starred in "The China Doll," and recently Nancy Kwan captured the title role in "The World of Suzie Wong."

The latest, however, is Miss Terri Zimmern, who starred in "The Split," a science-fiction picture shown in Hongkong earlier this month.

Miss Zimmern was, for three years, a beauty expert at the China Emporium—from 1952 to 1955.

Judging by the way she demonstrated her makeup skill and dealt with the clients at the cosmetic counter, Mr. Y. K. Chow, Sub-Manager of the China Emporium, once told her: "Terri, you certainly can act. Why don't you get into the films?"

"I might, one of these days," she answered.

In 1958, Kenneth G. Crane, a co-director of "The Split" came to Hongkong to shoot a TV film.

He was in search of local actors and actresses for parts. At a cocktail party, he met Terri.

First break

Soon she got her first break in film by playing a role in that TV picture.

The next thing people knew was that Terri went to Tokyo to take part in the filming of "The Split" in the Japanese capital.

In 1959, she married Kenneth G. Crane and settled in Los Angeles.

"Terri is photogenic," said a friend in Hongkong. "She was once the cover-girl for a local magazine."

In "The Split" Terri played Tara, a laboratory assistant in the mad Japanese scientist who was experimenting on a serum which, he believed, would create a new human race by mutations but which instead made a half-monster out of a correspondent with whom Tara had fallen in love.

CANTINFLAS, the Charles Chaplin of Mexico, is coming to Hongkong next



Terri Zimmern as she was in "The Split".

Thursday in conjunction with the screening of "Pepe," a technicolour spectacle-comedy.

Cantinflas will be remembered by many as Passepapoulou, manservant to Philip Fog in "Around the World in 80 Days."

In Latin America for the last two decades, Cantinflas has been drawing big audiences.

Born Mario Moreno in Mexico City in 1911, Cantinflas spent his childhood in the shade of civil war and poverty.

He started his career in tent shows. By 1940 he had become a box office attraction. Since then his films have shown for 19 years in 4,400 theatres all over Mexico.

His cars

He owns a Jaguar, a Maserati, a Cadillac, two Mercedes, an Oldsmobile, a Dodge and a Pontiac.

He employs two pilots on a full-time basis to fly his own plane although he is a licensed pilot himself.

He maintains five homes and is the majority stockholder in four film companies. He owns a formidable percentage of "Around the World in 80 Days," which has now grossed almost \$25 million.

Mario Moreno is also a philanthropist.

He has built and maintains a large housing project for 100 low-income families in Mexico and appeared at more than 100 benefit performances in a year plus many bullfight appearances for orphans, the aged, and the destitute.

His Godchildren

He has 16,000 Godchildren with acceptances and gifts arranged by mail.

Richard Condon said in his article published in the December issue of Holiday, "Mario Moreno is not sure that he should be rich, so he keeps giving his money away to the poor then raising his fees as an entertainer."

HONGKONG

has entered five pictures into the Eighth Asian Film Festival due to take place in Manila on March 7.

The five are Shaw's "Lost Belles," a widescreen Eastman colour musical, "The Deformed," a dramatic film, and "The

Swallow Thief," an action picture, and MP & GI's "The Wild, Wild Rose," a dramatic film, and "Hongkong," a documentary.

THE Hongkong

delegation to the forthcoming film festival consists of the leader, Mr. Loke Wan Tho, the MP & GI group and the Shaw group.

The MP & GI group comprises Robert Chung (Secretary), Grace Chang, Chang Yang, Dolly Soo Fung, Wang Lai and comedian Liu En-chia (members).

The Shaw group is composed of Raymond Chow (Hon Treasurer), Betty Lo Tih and Grace Ting Ning (members).

Mr. Loke, head of Cathay Organisation, parent company of MP & GI, will leave for Manila from Singapore direct.

Mr. Run Run Shaw, head of Shaw Brothers, will be the director of the Singapore delegation. He will leave for Manila on March 4.

The MP & GI group will take off on March 5, the Shaw group, on March 6.

As there are only two dramatic

entries, "The Deformed," starring Shaw's Betty Lo Tih, and "The Wild, Wild Rose," starring MP & GI's Grace Chang, the two stars seem the most likely Hongkong candidates to compete for the best actress award this year.

Nevertheless, Mr. Raymond Chow, Shaw's publicity director, said every actress in the five pictures will stand a chance of winning the award.

"For instance, you can't rule out Miss Lin Dai who appeared in the Swallow Thief and Les Belles."



CANTINFLAS

Under-sea robots will watch for Red subs

By TOM POCOCK

ROBOT submarine detectors anchored to the ocean bed are to provide the West with their first line of defence against the Soviet submarine fleets.

Tests—including one year's trial in deep water off Bermuda—have shown that the new devices, which are based on the acetic and hydrophone equipment used in the war, can detect a submarine at a range of 300 miles.

Under ideal conditions a submarine can be detected at 1,000 miles and, with cross-bearings from several detectors its position can be fixed with sufficient accuracy to warrant a concentration of hunting forces.

The Royal Navy, which has made dramatic advances in this field, has released no information on such anti-submarine devices from the Secret List.

Code name

The United States Navy, which is working in close co-operation with Britain on the project, has now allowed the Martin Company of Baltimore to announce

the outline of their new sonar buoys which have been given the code-name "Fish."

The robot detectors are designed to operate at depths of between 500 and 15,000 feet where some reception is stable and not diffused by varying water temperature, pressure and salinity.

At present the detectors have to be towed by a submarine cable link with a shore power plant.

But the Martin Company's scientists have now designed a compact nuclear battery which could be sunk with an independent robot giving it a life of about 10 years.

Such detectors planted at the entrances to the Baltic, the Black Sea and the North Cape of Norway could effectively keep track of the comings and goings of Russian submarines.

—(London Express Service).



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): A relationship which has been strained for some time will begin to improve, to the considerable relief of both parties.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): A new venture which you are starting today should soon prove highly profitable, if you exercise caution every step of the way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may be called away from your normal occupation to help a close friend, and must resign yourself to the interruption.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A daily task tackled with enthusiasm will put you ahead of any competition you may be facing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): An ambition of long standing will materialise today, and a small celebration is indicated.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): An hour's quiet contemplation of the agenda of a forthcoming meeting will fortify you against any surprise move on the part of your opponent.

LEO (July 22-August 21): Take full advantage of a sudden turn for the better, even if it may mean spending some extra time away from home.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): A visit to close friends should not be postponed any longer, as they are eager to repay a debt of hospitality.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Don't lose patience with a colleague who is not so quick to grasp things as yourself. He will get there in the end just the same.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Think twice before signing a paper which may tie you down financially for many years ahead.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): In order to settle a dispute fairly, it will be necessary for you to study both sides of the question carefully and without bias.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Agree to sharing expenses in a venture which you would not have the courage to finance alone.

YOUR LUCKY CARD: If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the SEVEN of SPADES.



LEFT. Joyce in the basic black dress.

ABOVE. The party-look achieved by the addition of two white organza roses.

RIGHT. The same black dress but given the sporty air.

Do you feel like hurling your winter wardrobe out of the window?

By SYLVIA DA COSTA-ROQUE

THERE'S no need to ask, for it's a certainty. You have the winter blues . . . you and your wardrobe.

You are reaching the desperate stage when you are about to hurl the whole collection out of the window and burst into spring freshness — irrespective of the fact that you'll most likely catch your death of cold!

But don't despair. There are only a couple more months to go and for that short period, it is senseless to spend more money on warm outfits.

The thing to do is to freshen up what you have. In other words, at this time of the year, your eyes should be on accessories.

Every wardrobe undoubtedly contains that classic "the little black dress." Black is wonderful on its own. It is also the perfect foil for accessories.

It can be dressed either up or down and with the right touches, the one dress can be adapted for sports meetings, shopping jaunts and festive evenings.

And the adaptability of black was demonstrated recently by Pearl Harford of the Centre of Elegance on two of her models, Australian Tikl Bannan and Chinese Joyce Gockson.

Both girls were in plain black dresses—Joyce in a cheongsam and Tikl in a Dior-line wool jersey.

The cheongsam was "dressed-down" for a sports meeting with a white heavy knit boxy jacket and natty blue and white striped linen shoulder bag. The party look was achieved by artificial flowers, which are now right back in fashion.

One white organza rose was pinned at the base of the cheongsam collar, another was fixed in the hair just above the widow's peak.

For Tikl it was chiffon, roses and a smart Balmain hat. The hat, a wine-red cloche dipping into the right cheek, gave the dress an elegant afternoon air. It was teamed with black gloves but no jewellery.

For evenings, a madonna-like effect was created by a chiffon scarf which was draped around the head and held in place by a contrasting rose. The ends were allowed to flow freely down the back. This was also worn with black gloves, and again no jewellery was used.

This season, chiffon is the thing. It has become high fashion, it is reasonably priced and there are a thousand and one ways of wearing it—slung casually across the throat and flowing down the back, draped across one shoulder and tied on the other, as a cravat or even as a sash.

But one word of warning. While each of these styles can make your black dress look quite sensational, they can also use too much of the one thing, and don't clutter with too much jewellery.

South led a third trump to dummy's queen. This gave East a chance to discard and he signalled club strength by dropping the nine.

South led a third heart and discarded a club. West won the trick and promptly underled his ace of clubs. East took the king and returned the suit. A third club lead knocked out South's last trump and left him with a spade loser.

Where did South go wrong in the play?

He should have discarded a club the first time he played a heart from dummy. Then the defenders would not have been able to keep South from setting up dummy's fifth heart for a discard of the losing spade.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner rebids to two clubs. What do you do now?

Answer: Rebid two clubs.

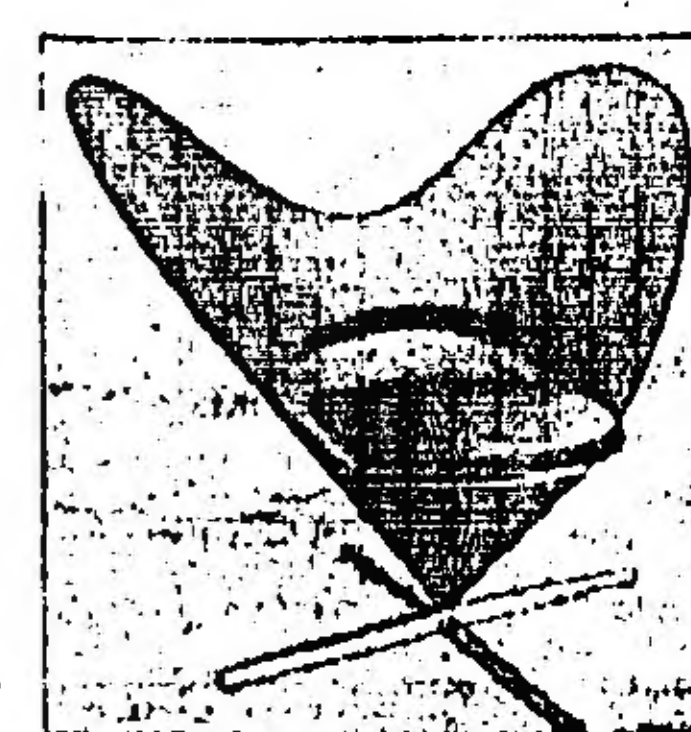
THE ROCKER ROCKS ITS WAY BACK . . .

FIFTY years ago the painter Whistler made a famous study of his mother sitting in a rocking-chair. The painting usually raises a patronising smile from the moderns, but at least Whistler's mother is bang up to date again.

Because rocking-chairs are swinging back into fashion, and if Mrs Whistler's dress seems a bit out of date, she's all right as far as chairs go. Its soothing movements are claimed to give old people longer life. An article in the leading medical magazine promotes its good effects on the health. And since the chair came back, it has become scarce in antique shops and brought a flood of inquiries around the big stores.

Sothebys tell me they will offer up to £80 for a traditional American rocking-chair, and Donald Albery, impresario of the new play, "The Miracle Worker" has given up his attempt to buy a Colonial chair and had to hire one instead.

Each of the beautiful women and the women involved in the beauty business that I talked to, has a rocking-chair in her home.



THE CHAIR for the anti-rocker school: luxurious, superbly comfortable, easy chair with unusual wings. Covered in rough wool tapestry. By Danish designer Verner Panton.

and upholstered in exotic shades to tapestry tweed. The trend is to have four different coloured chairs around a streamlined black coffee table and Panton has already designed a Danish hotel cocktail room with chairs.

Surrealistic touch: his cone chair entirely wrought from chromium plated wire with an upholstered seat and back cushion.

Since the days when Mme. Recamier first prettily relaxed, the chaise longue has been around as a bit of fashionable drawing-room furniture. Now, it is given a new look, as elegant as before, but cured to living rooms that prefer a mixture of modern and period furniture. Again the design is Scandinavian.

But this time from the Paradise range and the covers are superbly tailored with legs finished in natural mahogany or teak.

By ELIZABETH DICKSON
(London Express Services).

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Mimi, The Whale

—Punch Caught Her When She Was Very Small—

By MAX TRELL

"UNCLE Punch," said Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-About Name, "did you ever happen to see a Whale?"

Mr Punch, who happened to be writing a letter at his desk, looked up. There was surprise in his face.

"Did you say Whale, my Boy?" he asked.

Repeats his question

Knarf repeated that he wished to know whether Uncle Punch had ever seen a Whale.

Now Mr Punch's face lit up in a huge warm smile.

"Ever see one? I should say I have! Why," he exclaimed, "do you know whom I'm writing to right this moment?"

Knarf said he couldn't guess. "Are you writing to your Grandmother?" he finally asked.

"My Grandmother?" Mr Punch shouted in astonishment. "No sree! I'm writing this letter," and he shook the letter in the air as he spoke. "To Mimi!"

"Who's Mimi?" Knarf asked.

"A Whale!" said Mr Punch. "Come here, my Boy. Sit yourself down by my desk and I'll tell you the whole story about Mimi, the biggest, heaviest and pleasantest Whale in the whole entire world."

So Knarf, who was very eager to hear about Mimi, the Whale, sat down in the chair next to the desk. Then Mr Punch laid down his pen and the letter and began.

Punch's story

"I caught Mimi when she was no bigger than a Tadpole — a Polliwog!" said Mr Punch. "I caught her in my straw hat while I was swimming at the seaside. She flipped and flapped around."

"I put her in a small jar and brought her home and let her swim in a Goldfish bowl with two Goldfish."

"They pushed her around a bit," said Mr Punch.



"Are you writing to your Grandmother?" Knarf asked.

"You aren't standing. You're sitting," said Knarf. But Mr Punch went right on as though he hadn't heard Knarf at all.

"A few days later," he said, "I heard the noise of shouting and the sound of Policemen blowing their whistles. I rushed to the park lake. And there was Mimi, splashing all the water all over the park and squirting water into the faces of the Policemen."

"Some of them were trying to throw nets over her. But she was very big. The nets hardly fitted over the end of Mimi's nose."

How trouble started

"Then I came over. When she saw me, she quieted down at once. She really was quite gentle."

"I found out that the trouble started when Mimi very kindly allowed Boys and Girls to sit on her back and took them for a ride around the lake. But the Policemen—they didn't like the idea of a Whale in a lake in the middle of the park — tried to stop her from doing this. She became very angry. It was a shame."

He'll write

"Anyway," continued Mr Punch, "she finally grew too big even for the lake. So one day I hired a big truck and took her down to the seaside and let her go. She was unhappy about leaving me."

"Don't worry," I told her. "I'll drop you a line now and then. Good-bye, Mimi!"

"And off she went, flapping her enormous tail and squirting water out of the top of her head like a fountain. Then he picked up the letter."

"And just today I decided to drop her a line."

Drop it in water

"I'm going to take this letter down to the seaside and drop it in the water. Mimi will get it. It will make her very happy to hear from me. I'll send her your regards, too, Knarf, my Boy."

"No, Uncle Punch," Knarf said as he got off the chair next to Mr Punch's desk. "I'll say what I said before. I don't believe this story about Mimi at all, not at all at all."

But Mr Punch only smiled as he folded up the letter.

Rupert and the Winter Sale—16



The shop manager seems amused at Rupert's words and does not stop until they enter an office with two or three doors and are confronted by a smiling motherly nurse. "Well, well, and is this a little lost person?" she says kindly. "Dear, dear, never mind. All rights reserved."

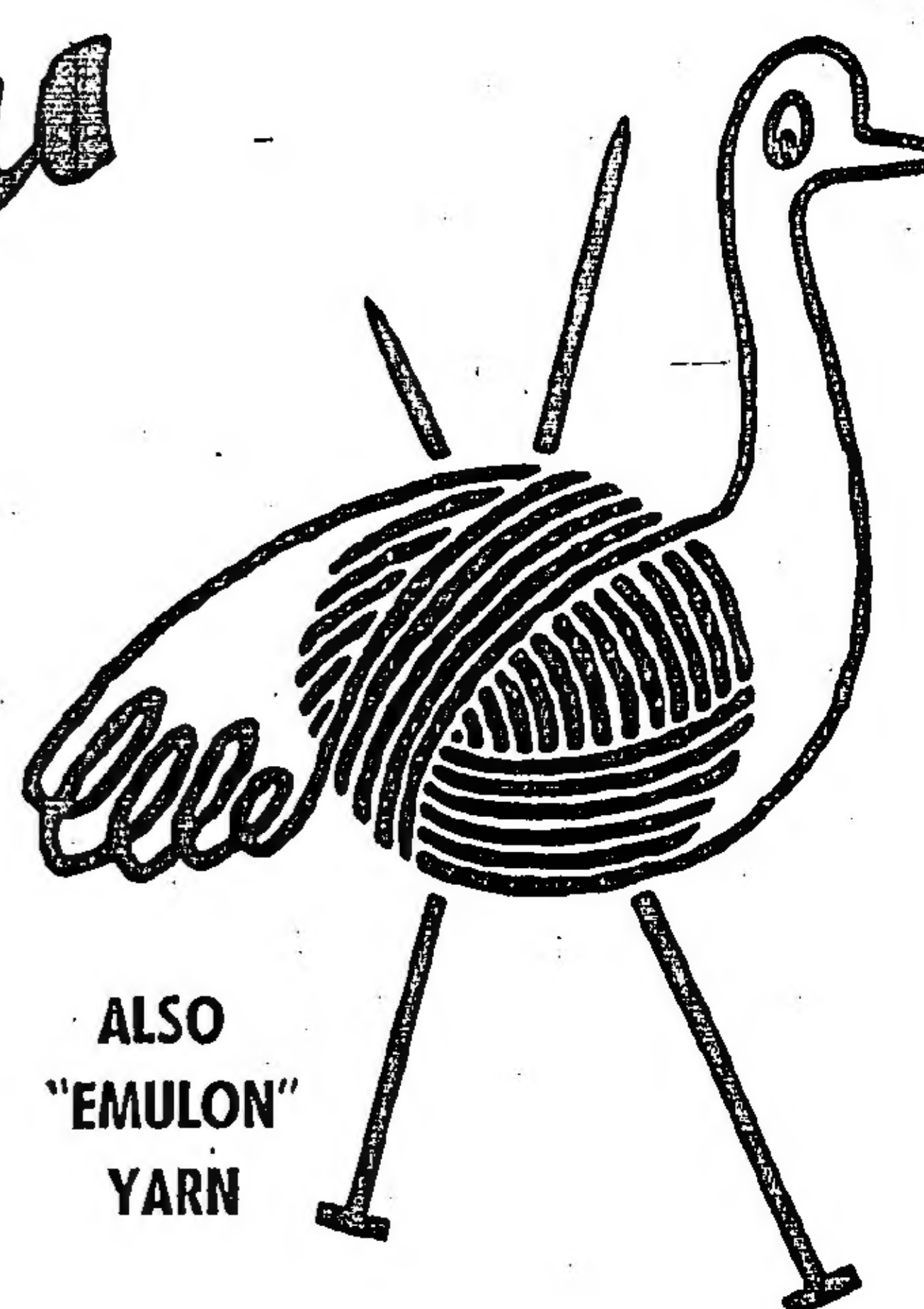
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Charnley retains European crown

COMFORTABLE POINTS WIN OVER FRENCH CHAMPION ON EVE OF WORLD TITLE FIGHT

London, Feb. 21.

In his last fight before his world title bid in six weeks, the British champion, Dave Charnley, retained his European crown at Streatham here tonight, beating on points the French lightweight champion, Fernand Nollet, over 15 fine rounds.

While the British, British Empire and European champion, won comfortably enough, the French champion, Nollet, penetrated his guard sufficiently often with right jabs to suggest that the Briton is going to have a Herculean task in winning the world title from Joe Brown, the American champion, in their return fight in London on April 18.

Clash of heads

Charnley did most of the attacking from the start and halfway through the fight looked as if he might not lose even one round.

But the seasoned Frenchman from Martinique, with more

than 50 fights without being knocked out, rallied to such good effect that the Briton at the finish had to go all out to retain his title.

The Dutch referee, N. Bril, three times warned Nollet for butting, and once for using his elbow. Charnley too was admonished for using his head.

It was a clash of heads in the 13th round which opened cuts on the Briton's right eye but the damage was not serious, and he came through to the finish in great style, making a tremendous bid to knock out his opponent in the final round.

Dawn Fraser fails to crack the one-minute barrier

Brisbane, Feb. 21.

Dawn Fraser, the Olympic titleholder, beat Ilsa Konrads tonight in the women's 100-metre freestyle event of the Australian Swimming Championships.

Miss Fraser's winning time of 1 minute 1 second was excellent but a personal disappointment since she had hoped to crack the one-minute barrier.

She did not get off to a good start. She picked up time on the turn but wasn't pressed over the last 50-metre lap. Miss Konrads finished second in 1:05.2, followed by Helen Bartler, 1:05.8.

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Callover prices on Lincolnshire, Grand National

London, Feb. 21.

Neograph, trained by George Todd, was the best backed horse for the Lincolnshire Handicap when he became a 16 to 1 joint favourite with Mustavon and Honeydew at the Victoria Club callover on the Lincolnshire and Grand National here last night.

Neograph a five-year-old won one race last season in four starts. The price on offer for this race was 16 to 1. His final closing price was 16 to 1. At last week's callover he was on the 25 to 1 mark.

Thames Trader, one of last week's joint favourites, drifted from 16 to 1 to 20 to 1 and Eric Foley's charge, Great Faith, came in from 25 to 1 to close at 20 to 1.

Last year's Grand National winner, Merryman, caused slightly in the market from 8 to 1 to 10 to 1. But the Irish challenger, Team Spirit, moved from 20 to 1 to 16 to 1.

The next callover will be held next Monday.

Prices at the callover last night were:

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16-1 Mustavon, Honeydew and Neograph; 20-1 Thames Trader, Bookmaker, Arion, Fulham Cross, Great Faith, John's Court, Phaedrides, and Torullo; 25-1 Bass Rock, Blue Over, No Saint, Sanctum, Talk Down, Welsh Rake and Zanzibar.

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In support of MacTavish

dear sir

Foot old disilluminated 'Soccer Fan' seems to have got his lines crossed somewhere. First he rails on about I.M. MacTavish's reports telling every one how wrong they are, and then he starts to agree with the very points your football writer made.

If 'Soccer Fan' can read Chinese, or if he can get someone to read what the local press said about the game in the very same newspapers he might find that they agree wholeheartedly with MacTavish.

Last Saturday night Radio Hongkong's football reporter accused the Swiss side of taking money under false pretences and well known sports critic John Wallace said even harsher things about the Chinese players after the third game.

I saw all three games, and I agree very definitely with what MacTavish said. I think he gave your readers a very clear picture of what took place in all the matches, and I would be very interested to know the inaccuracies to which 'Soccer Fan' referred in his impulsive letter in yesterday's edition of the China Mail.

More strength to MacTavish's pen. If we had more writers like him there might be a very quick improvement in Hongkong football. It may be of interest to know

that according to the Chinese press, today the members of the Hongkong Football Association are going to press for a full inquiry into the conduct of the players who took part in the third game with such a lack of interest that they made the Swiss side look better than they did in the

first and second games. Please tell MacTavish not to worry about the rantings of people like 'Soccer Fan'. He has the biggest following of readers in the Colony because his articles are translated many times over by the Chinese sports writers. 'GUBBY'.

VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

Since coming to Hongkong about a year ago I have tried never to miss an article by Mr I. M. MacTavish your very outspoken football writer.

I enjoy them very much and I know that in my circles he has a very big following. He certainly pulls no punches and I thought he was quite right in his reviews of the Young Boys series.

'Soccer Fan' is I suppose, entitled to his opinion. That is democracy, but if I. M. MacTavish wants a vote of confidence for his excellent coverage of the Swiss games he

certainly gets one from me and from many of my friends. I did not see all of the third game because I left disgusted midway through the second half — after paying \$10 — and frankly I agreed with MacTavish that the visitors were no better than they were in the other games but as the Chinese did not seem to care what happened they were allowed to play without opposition. Any team can look good in such circumstances. I look forward eagerly to I. M. MacTavish's comments on Saturday. 'UP THE CANARIES'.

Police and Club in return Hexangular Rugby clash today

By "PROP"

At the Club Stadium this evening the Police take on Club in their second Hexangular Tournament meeting this season.

Police have lost most of their interest in this tournament as far as winning the title goes, but they will not surrender any points to their old rivals without a fight.

That they will have to put up a fight is evident. It is learned that such players as Robert Calderwood and Lloyd are not available and Hobbs is a doubtful starter.

The exact composition of the Police side is not known at the time of writing, but they will not be fielding their regular side.

Club on the other hand have made changes not necessitated by injuries or non-availability of players. With Johnstone featuring at centre again this week, there has been found for Menzies in the front row of the pack, with Bedford moving back to the second row. Many good judges regard Menzies as very unlikely to have lost his place in the side in the first instance, and he undoubtedly deserves inclusion.

Interesting changes

The pack will therefore be in the main "as usual" but behind the scrum interesting changes take place.

MacTavish, after a few weeks resting on the side-lines returns, but at full-back Moore switches to the left wing and the mid-field combination of Kennedy, Johnstone and Wilson is retained. This is undoubtedly a tactical move, on the part of the Club and could be the answer to the close marking which their three have experienced since those early season wins that were handed out to all sides, whether at the Stadium or further afield.

Wilson is now one of the closest marked players in the Colony and it seems that Club intend to use the undoubted pace of Moore in the attack once again.

This should be an interesting game to watch. If the Police pack play as well as they did against the RAF then Club may find that they

will not see as much of the ball as they need to put their attacking plans into operation.



ABOVE: Up goes the umpire's hand in response to an appeal for a catch behind the wicket by West Indian wicketkeeper Gerry Alexander off the bowling of Garfield Sobers. The dismissed batsman after scoring 21 runs during the third day's play in the Fifth Test at Melbourne is Alan Davidson. Australian captain Richie Benaud is the other batsman in the picture. Australia won the match by two wickets and thus took the series.



ABOVE: The Finnish light-heavyweight boxer Pekka Kokkonen (known in Sweden as "Knokkonen" because of his many fast knock-out wins) has frequently been a sparring partner for former world champion Ingemar Johansson. Ingo has asked Kokkonen to come to the United States, so that he can get in some hard training for the last few weeks before his third fight with Floyd Patterson on March 13. Photo shows Pekka Kokkonen, who is a gardener by trade, saying goodbye to some of his indoor plants before settling out for America.—Express photo.

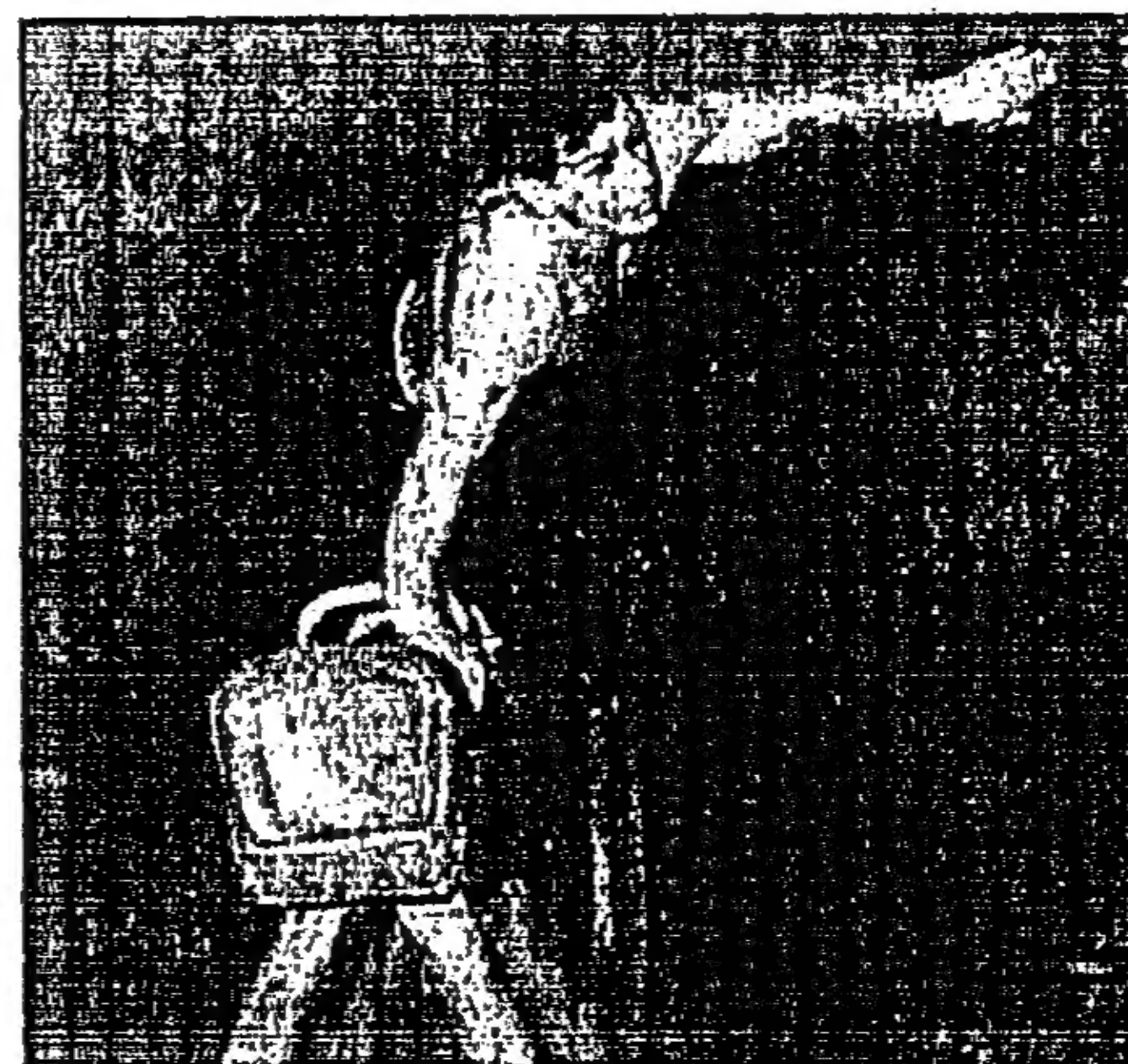


ABOVE: Seen here is Vladimir Frakhov, who will ride Russian entry Epigraff in the Grand National at Aintree next month. He is a second-lieutenant, 29-year-old master sportsman (equestrian) of the Red Army of the Soviet Union. Interviewed as he dismounted from a training run on Epigraff, on a course eight inches deep in snow, five miles out of Moscow, he said: "I never use a spur or whip on a horse unless it is a very bad horse. And Epigraff is a very good horse." Asked if he expected to win the Grand National, he replied: "One can only hope. But most of the races I enter, I win."—London Express photo.

SPORTS PICTORIAL

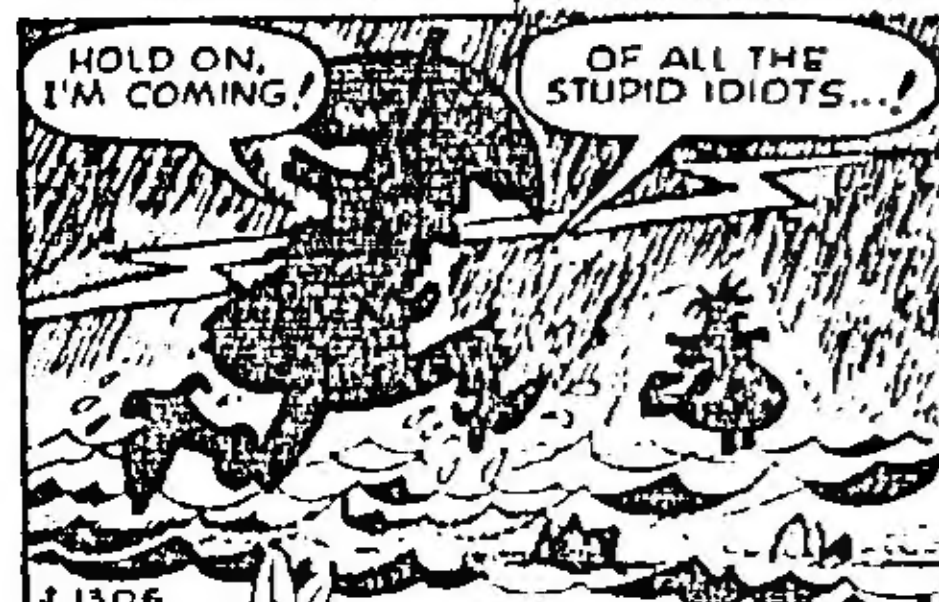


ABOVE: The Chinese New Year soccer attraction this year was provided by the Swiss League champions, the Young Boys of Bern, who played a series of three matches here last week. On Chinese New Year's Day they lost their opening match to All-Hongkong by 0-1. They again lost in their second match, this time by 2-5 to the Hongkong Section, but made amends in their final match when they trounced the Combined Chinese by 6-0. Photo shows the Swiss team being introduced to Mr. William S. T. Lo, President of the Hongkong Football Association prior to their opening match on Chinese New Year's Day.—China Mail photo.



ABOVE: British Army Sergeant-Major Nick Stuart, aged 30, the British champion gymnast for the past six years, and European silver medalist, performs one of his specialties for the benefit of a group of admiring soldiers at the Army Physical Training School at Aldershot, Surrey, where he is an instructor. Sergeant-Major Stuart is to defend his national title at the Royal Albert Hall, London, on March 25 this year.—COI photo.

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THE MAJOR TRIES IN VAIN TO CLOSE THE LID OF THE RAINMAKER



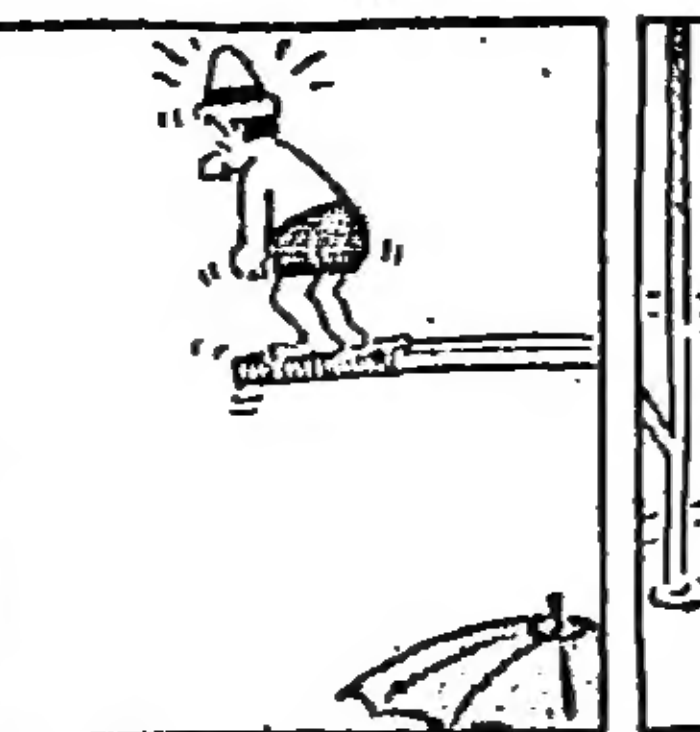
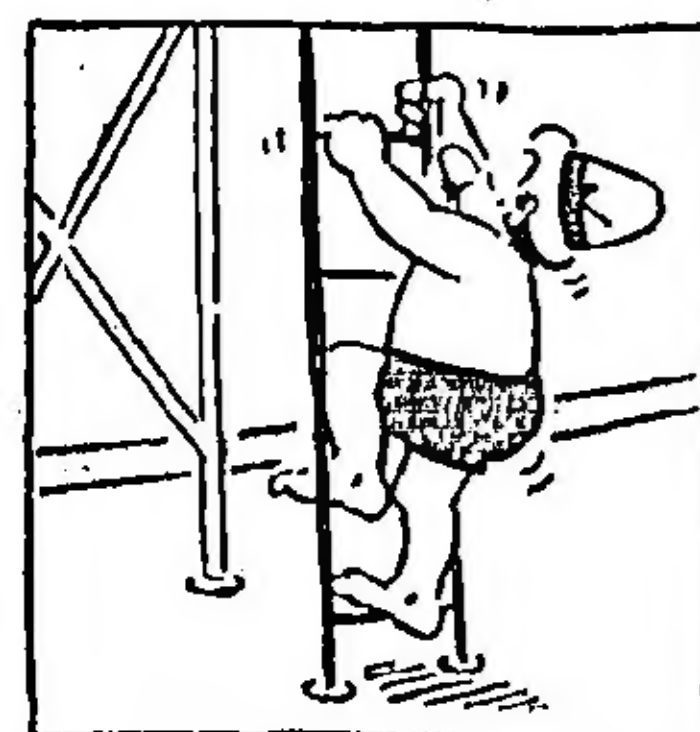
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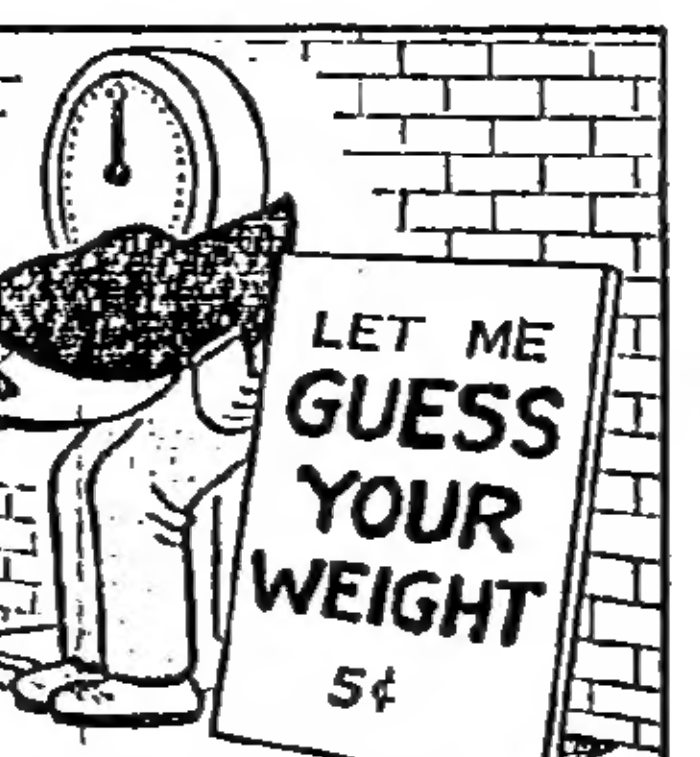
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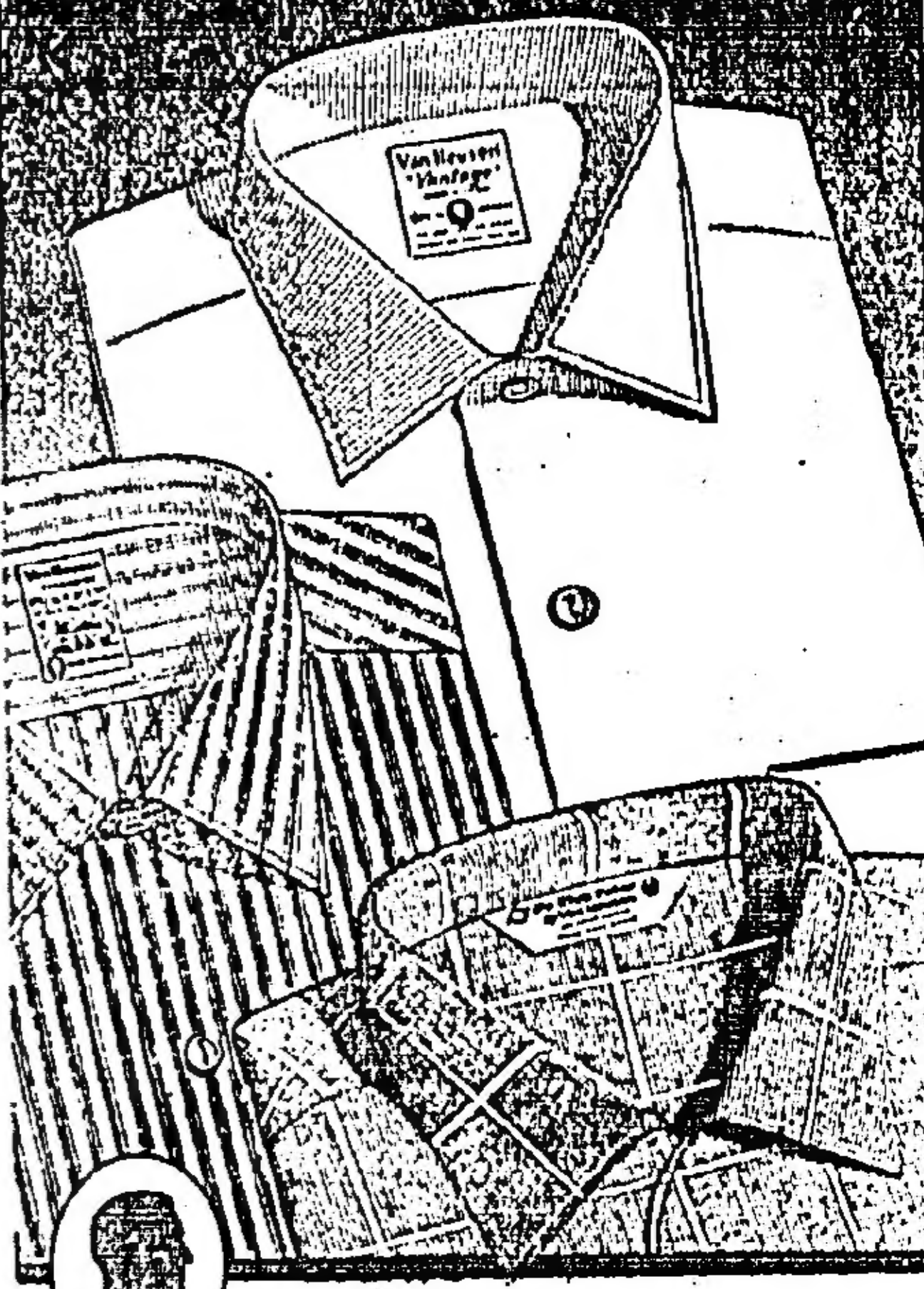


By Paul Norris



ABOVE: Hugging the ball in this new picture is Crews Alexandra's gallant goalkeeper, Brian Williamson, 21, the Fourth Division player whose prospects of transferring to a First Division side in the next few days are bright. After his fine goalkeeping in the fourth round FA Cup tie match against Tottenham Hotspur at White Hart Lane recently it is thought that his eventual transfer may create a new record fee for a goalkeeper. The present record fee for a goalkeeper is the £23,000 that Manchester United paid Doncaster for Harry Gregg three years ago.—Reuter photo.

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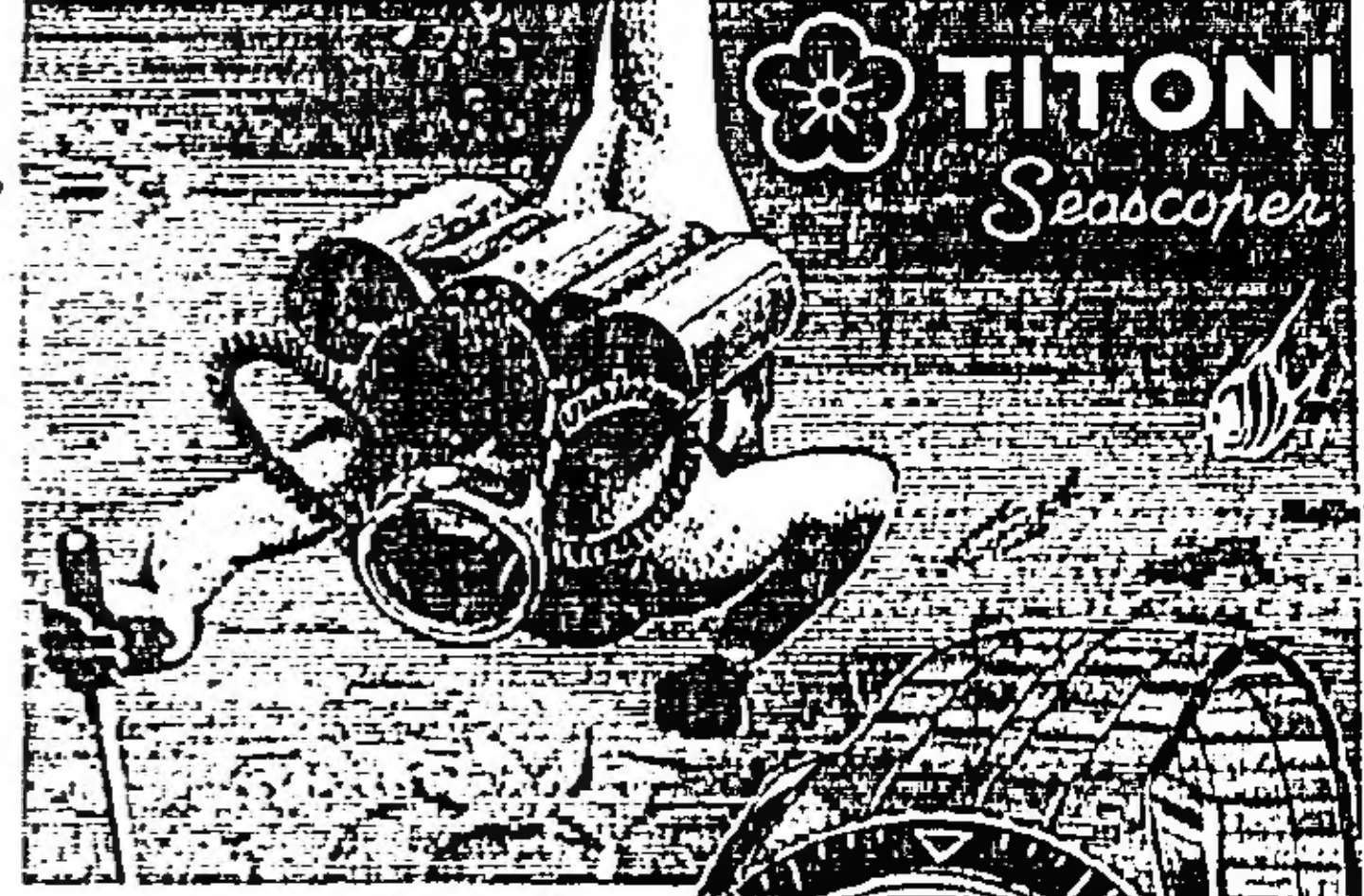


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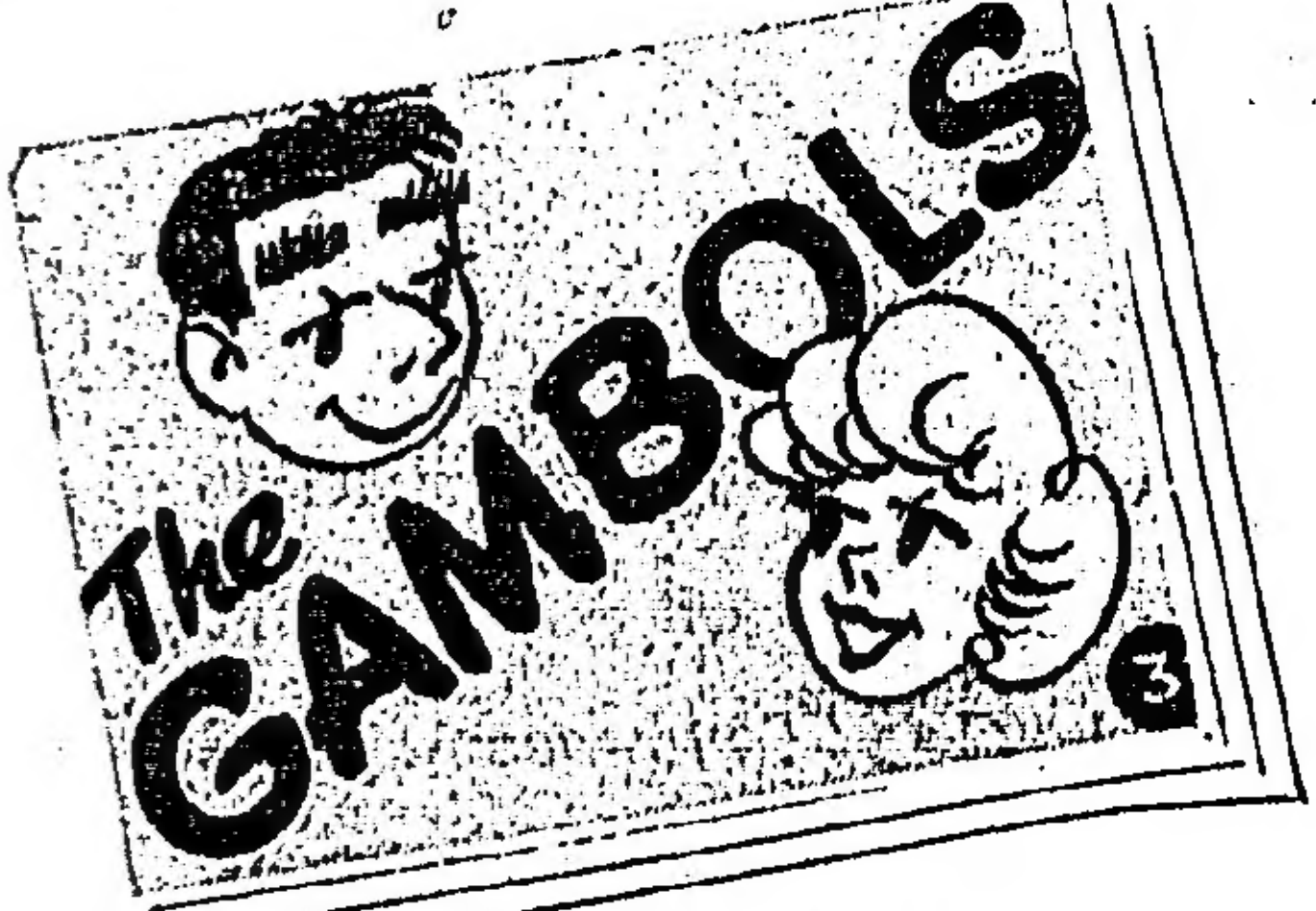


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NO ELECTION: LOCAL REACTION

Reform Civic coalition leaders give views

Leaders of Reform Club and Civic Association whose candidates will be automatically returned to the elected seats in the Urban Council this year expressed different views on the fact that there will be no election.

Jury retires for verdict

DEFENCE OF WOMAN IN ACID CASE

In his final submission at the Supreme Court for the defence of 22-year-old Li Wai-chun, accused of throwing corrosive acid on her lover and wounding him, Mr Terence Y. Shurlock said this morning:

"Experience has shown that there is no form of evidence which is less reliable than a lady's confession."

"Li Wai-chun might have performed the acts of wounding and throwing acid with her hand and be guilty with her hand, but may not be guilty in her mind."

"It is my defence of this woman, only aged 22, and, in my submission a very good type of woman indeed, that the wounds inflicted on her lover with the razor blade and the wound in the eye inflicted by carbolic acid, were caused by accident."

DISINFECTANT

Li Wai-chun has admitted staying at the Good Luck Hotel on December 10 with the man Ma Chi-man, and admitted taking to the hotel a paper bag which contained, besides all her worldly possessions, a bottle of carbolic acid.

"She says that she took this because she used it as a disinfectant and took a razor blade to trim her eyebrows."

"In a quarrel after Ma had said to her 'I am hard up and cannot get a job if we married as a dance hostess and make easy money,' she seized the razor blade to wield in front of Ma, and accidentally wounded him; she then asked him to lie down and applied the carbolic acid, which she forgot, in her agitation, to dilute."

"She then fled in fear at the blood and what she had done and told the room boy what had happened, saying 'He has cheated me, so I wounded him in revenge. I am frightened, he will chase me and kill me.'"

Mr Justice W. A. Blair-Kerr, addressing the jury, said that they might well understand the feelings of a young woman who had just surrendered her body to her lover on his promise of marriage, when he immediately afterwards said 'You can go and be a dance hostess in Wan-chai,' and that she lost her temper and hit him.

But Ma had denied ever using these words and had said the wounds had been inflicted by the accused while he was sleeping.

Li Wai-chun is stated to live with her blind father at 30, Lockhart-road. She previously told the Court that on the night of December 10, when Ma persuaded her finally to go to the Good Luck Hotel after promising to marry her, she decided to leave her father for good at midnight, and therefore had packed all her dresses in the paper bag, Ma having said that they could stay at the Good Luck Hotel for a few days until he got permanent accommodation for them.

Ma denies that he said this and the room boy at the Good Luck Hotel stated in evidence that Ma had only booked the room for one night.

The judge told the jury that they must decide who was telling the truth, Ma Chi-man, or the girl.

The jury retired to consider their verdict.

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PREFERRED KOWLOON TO HONGKONG

Two Australian women who spent four days in Hongkong as tourists, said today they liked Kowloon better than Hongkong.

Mrs N. Caldwell of Warrambool, Victoria, and Miss J. Porter, of Melbourne said they preferred Kowloon to Hongkong because "shopping in Kowloon is better than in Hongkong and the people in Kowloon are nicer than those in Hongkong."

The ladies said they had found prices in Kowloon shops "cheaper."

Mrs Caldwell and Miss Porter left by Air-India for Europe on the second leg of their round-the-world tour.

INDIAN MP RETURNS

Mrs G. Parthasarathi, a member of the Indian Upper House, left by Air-India today for New Delhi where she will attend an upper house session.

Mrs Parthasarathi is also the wife of India's Ambassador in Peking. She is a member of Premier Nehru's Congress Party.

Mrs Parthasarathi who has been a member of the Indian upper house for one year, was seen off at Kai Tak by Mr P. De Mello Kamath, Commissioner for India in Hongkong.

Ship aground off PI

Almost lost big wheat shipment

India almost lost a shipment of 10,000 tons of United States wheat when the American freighter, Portland Trader, went aground on a reef at Puerto Princesa, 365 miles south of Manila, last month.

According to Mr B.L. Sahney, Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, the wheat was part of an American foreign aid programme.

Mr Sahney, who left for New Delhi by Air-India today said he had made a special trip to Manila to arrange for the salvage of the wheat.

He said, "We have managed to salvage almost all of the wheat."

SMALL DAMAGE

Mr Sahney added that only a very small percentage of the wheat was damaged.

Mr Sahney revealed that the Portland Trader was abandoned by its crew shortly after it went aground near Palawan Island. The Luzon Stevedoring Co, were

Woman held for 'savage' beating of daughter

A magistrate at North Kowloon Court this morning described the beating of a child by her mother as "most savage."

Mr J. E. F. Dargan made the remark after he had the child brought up for a close inspection.

The 11-year-old girl, Wong Wai-pin, was beaten black and blue all over her face, shoulders and body.

The defendant, Lei Sau-ying, 33, housewife, of First-street, Fuk Wah Village, NT, pleaded guilty.

In mitigation, she said she had beaten the girl with a rattan cane after she had refused to change her clothes and, took ten cents without permission last Friday.

The grandmother of the child reported the incident to the police.

The mother was remanded in jail custody for seven days pending a probation report.

The husband was told by the magistrate to look after the child properly while the mother was in jail.

Boy found crying in street by policeman

A patrolling police constable found a 10-year-old boy crying in Queen's-road, West, in the early hours of today, an inspector told a Central Magistrate this morning.

Inspector Yip Tai-yau said that the reason the boy dared not go home was that he was frightened of being beaten again by his father. He said his father had beaten him on many previous occasions.

Before Mr Derek Cons, the 30-year-old father, Yeung Chi-chai, living in an unnumbered hut on Mount Davis, was charged with wilfully ill-treating his son, Yeung Yiu-fai, in a manner likely to cause the boy unnecessary suffering or injury.

BOUGHT COMICS

Yeung pleaded guilty but explained to Mr Cons that his son was lazy. He said that he had been in the same class for four years.

Whenever his son was given money and told to buy things, he went to a cinema or bought comic books.

The boy who was found wandering at 3 am today was admitted to hospital and found to have bruises on his body, according to Insp Yip.

Mr Cons remanded Yeung for five days pending a report from the probation officer.

To help treatment of leprosy in Colony

Miss Jean Watson has joined the staff of the Hay Ling Chau Leprosarium as physiotherapist to leprosy patients on the island.

Trained at King's College, London, and having completed almost two years' practical work at the Church of Scotland College, Edinburgh, Miss Watson left England last September for her journey to the East.

She spent four months at the Karigiri Leprosy Research Sanatorium near Vellore, in South India before continuing her journey to Hongkong.

This was revealed this morning at the monthly meeting of the Marianne Reichel Aid to Lepers' Group at the South China Morning Post boardroom.

Mrs J. A. Pegg, Chairman, welcomed Miss Watson and a number of new members including Mrs Sandra Lees who will be the honorary secretary of the Leprosy Fair, 1961.

Miss Watson said she was very impressed by Hay Ling Chau and the work being done there.

From the Files

25 years AGO

February 1936

IN the SCM Post stop press, an item appeared to the effect that in the House of Commons, Mr Lunn drew attention to the finding of the local committee on mui tsai and that while mui tsai in Hongkong were undesirable, any attempt to stop the practice was doomed to failure, and he asked whether the Government accepted the declaration.

Mr J. H. Thomas, replying for the Government agreed that the sale of girls was undesirable. He did not accept the view that it was impossible to suppress the practice, and declared that the owning of mui tsai in Hongkong was illegal, and he intended to pursue vigorously the policy of securing the final disappearance of mui tsai by means of inspectors and prosecutions. He had investigated the prosecutions and found far too many fines. He would like to see imprisonment used as a deterrent rather than fines.

The Morning Post's 25 Years ago column said: "Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council promises to be interesting. After the usual routine work and the jurors' list for 1911 have been considered the Hon Mr H. E. Pollock, KC, will move the following resolution:—

"That in the opinion of this Council it is desirable that a Clock Tower should be erected on the New Post Office according to the original design, with a suitable clock in it. Whether the Council accepts Mr Pollock's view or not the public is of one mind that the Clock Tower should be removed from where it at present stands as an obstruction to traffic and that the best site for it is on the water front or on top of the new Post Office."

THE Forty-Sixth Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society was held yesterday afternoon. Sir William Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University was in the chair. Among those present were Mr G. R. Sayer (President), Mrs F. D. Tracy (Vice-President), Mrs E. De Ville (Hon Treasurer), Mrs L. B. Holmes (Hon Secretary), Mrs D. L. Newbigging, Mrs Grigor, Mrs F. J. de Rome, Mrs C. N. Jeffries, Mrs F. C. Hall, Mrs C. G. S. Perdue and Mrs R. D. Walker (Committee).

BOEING MEN IN COLONY

Two field representatives of the manufacturers of the Boeing 707 jetliners, Mr H. H. Wendell and Mr I. J. Vogwell, arrived from Tokyo by Air-India today for a two-day business visit.

Mr Wendell and Mr I. J. Vogwell are assigned by the Boeing Aeroplane Company to work in liaison with Air-India International at the airline's base at Santa Cruz airport, Bombay.

They said the Boeing Aeroplane Company has about 40 field representatives assigned to various airlines which use Boeing products on their air routes.

\$80 FINE FOR FISHERMAN

A 23-year-old fisherman, Lai Ah-fat, who installed a petrol engine on his junk without a permit was fined \$40 by Mr C. Cairns at Marine Court this morning.

Lai was also fined \$40 for operating his motorised junk without a certified master.

He pleaded guilty to both summonses.

SOLDIER CHARGED WITH THEFT

Murray A. B. Stanners, 20, a private of the 17/21 Lancers based at Sek Kong, New Territories, appeared before Mr T. L. Yang at Causeway Bay Court this morning on a charge of robbery with violence.

Stanners was alleged to have stolen \$20 from Mak Po-chu on February 15 in Hennessy-road.

He was remanded seven days in jail custody. Detective Inspector B. D. Carpenter prosecuted.

POP by Gai

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BROKER WHO PROMISED TO ARRANGE FLAT TRANSFER, FINED \$400

A 31-year-old broker, who obtained \$100 from a man as an advance payment for the transfer of the tenancy of a flat from Kun Tong resettlement estate to Wong Tai Sin resettlement estate, was fined \$400 and bound over in \$500 for three years by Mr E. Corbally at Central Court this morning.

He was also ordered to pay \$100 in restitution to the complainant.

Defendant, Chen Muk-tao, of flat M137 Kun Tong resettlement estate, pleaded guilty to a charge of obtaining money by false pretences through his counsel Mr Francis Chaine of Edmund Cheung & Chaine.

Chen, who pleaded not guilty to a second charge of obtaining money by false pretences, was discharged when the prosecution accepted his plea.

Detective Inspector Chan Siu-shun, of the Anti-Corruption Branch, said that the complainant, Yeung Ah-yim, was resettled at Flat A149 Kun Tong resettlement estate after his hut in Fu Mei Village was demolished in January, 1960.

Yeung occasionally mentioned to his friends that Kun Tong was a rather remote district, and he wanted to move nearer to Kowloon City.

Later, he came to know the defendant who claimed that he was in a position to transfer the flat occupied by the com-

plainant from Kun Tong to Wong Tai Sin resettlement estate, said Insp Chan.

Defendant also suggested that it required \$200 "tea money" to have the matter settled. As a result, Yeung paid the defendant \$100 as an advance payment on January 18, 1960.

Since then there was no news from the defendant. On February 12, defendant was arrested by Anti-Corruption Branch personnel.

Defendant has no previous record.